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## LIQUOR AGENCIES ARE INVESTIGATED

### By Committee Appointed by Legislature

#### Bethel and Greenwood on the Rack, Last Saturday.

The committee appointed at the last session of the legislature to investigate the liquor agencies of the State and report their findings to the next legislature has been engaged upon its duties for the past two weeks and concluded the investigating portion of its work at Farmington, Monday.

On Saturday, in Odeon Hall, Bethel, the Bethel and Greenwood agencies answered to the roll call as the eleventh and twelfth on the list of Maine agencies, leaving Farmington as the final thirteenth. Thus it may be noted that in the entire State there are but thirteen towns and cities which operate an agency, none being farther east than Augusta.

The members of the committee who were present at Bethel were Hon. Harold Sewall of Bath, Hon. Carl E. Milliken of Island Falls, Mr. S. C. Stevens of Portage Lake and Mr. Fred Giddings of Gorham. The committee was counseled by Judge F. D. Cleaves of Biddeford.

The Greenwood Agency. Several witnesses had been summoned and the first to be called to the stand was Mr. Hicks, agent at Greenwood. There was a humorous side to the examination of Mr. Hicks. He seemed under the impression that his seventeen years' experience in handling liquor should have fitted him to handle it as it should be handled without any suggestions from anybody. He was, therefore, not inclined to treat the matter seriously. For example: when asked by Judge Cleaves, "Did you ever get the impression that some who come to your agency for liquor, wanted it to use as a beverage and not for medicinal purposes?" He replied, "I've got the impression that you are asking questions that are none of your business."

At this, it became necessary for Judge Cleaves to remind him that he was there under the mandates of the legislature of the State of Maine, counselling a committee appointed by the legislature to investigate the conditions existing in Maine concerning Maine liquor agencies, that such committee exists because of the feelings entertained by the people of Maine that some of the agencies are improperly managed, and that he, Mr. Hicks, had been summoned there in order that this committee might get proper information concerning his agency, and that it would be necessary for him to answer the questions put to him fairly and fully. From the testimony it was shown that there is an annual sale of practically \$5,000 worth of liquor from this agency. As Greenwood has but about 700 people, this allows about \$3 a year for every man woman and child. The sales brought a net profit to the town in 1904 of \$800, in 1905, \$600.75, in 1906, \$772.12, in 1907, \$629.18.

Judge Cleaves asked various questions intending to draw out facts as to whether or not the agency sold to everyone who came, any quantity desired, regardless as to what he may have known concerning their need for liquor for medicinal or mechanical purposes, and it seemed pretty com-

plained that customers were not refused. Asked if he ever sold to persons intoxicated, he asserted that he never did; asked if he knew that any of his customers were what might be termed drinking men, or men who ever used intoxicating liquors as a beverage, he did not; asked if he was running his agency as near the letter of the law as he understood it, said he was running it just the best he knew.

Mr. Milliken questioned him in regard to whether or not in his opinion, his sales would be lessened if the law was so changed as to require a doctor's prescription, he replied that he didn't think it would change things a mite and said anybody could get a prescription for 50 cents, and he thought just as much liquor would be sold; asked if he thought it would increase his sales any, he couldn't say so.

Mr. E. L. Tebbetts was called and asked if he had more or less trouble on the sale of liquor among his men, and he said he had, and asked if he would close the agency if he thought it would be for the best of the town, he said he would. He stated that he had no demand for alcohol for medicinal purposes, at least he used alcohol, but thought it in quantity elsewhere. Asked if he thought the town would vote to continue the agency if profit were taken away, he did not know but doubted it.

Mr. M. H. Harrington, chairman of selectmen, was called and asked if he thought the town would continue the agency without profit. He did not know.

The Bethel Agency. Mr. L. T. Barker of the Bethel agency was called and his books examined and showed that the average daily sales for five years have been \$7.70. The average for 1907, \$9; the average Saturday sales \$12.40; the May 29th sales in 1908, \$11.20; the July 3rd, 1908 sales, \$6.30. The amount sold in 1907, \$179.94, with a profit of \$312; in 1908, \$294.75, profit \$773.95; in 1907 the amount was \$294.55, profit \$338.24. Mr. Barker stated that his customers would range anywhere from three to fifteen a day. He stated the methods which he pursued in dealing with the people who came to the agency for liquor, and it was plain evidence that it was his purpose to run the agency as nearly within the letter of the law as is possible for him to do. It was his opinion that many requests were made for liquor by people who were not in actual need of it for medicinal purposes, and said that it is true, that many whose word we take without question in every day affairs, will take advantage of a liquor agency to procure liquor for improper purposes. He had no question but that he had been taken advantage of many times, also that men of average standing have procured liquor for others than themselves.

Dr. Wright was then called and testified that, in his opinion, the Bethel agency is run in a very acceptable manner, and yet he gave it as his opinion that it is selling much more liquor than is necessary for medicinal purposes within its area. He had not written more than half a dozen prescriptions during this year, and while there are cases that it is necessary, they are rare, and the amount corresponding is small. Questioned as to what effect the requirement of prescriptions would have upon the amount sold, he thought it would lessen the amount very much, and believed that obtaining of prescriptions by those desiring

## LADIES OF THE M. E. SOCIETY IN VIRGINIA

### Hold Their First Supper and Sale in New Chapel.

#### Structure Soon to be Formally Dedicated.

The ladies of the Methodist Society in the Virginia section of Rumford held their first sale and supper in the recently completed chapel last Friday evening and the affair was so far a success that about \$80 was taken which will be used to help reduce the debt on the building.

The sales tables occupied the center of the audience room and were prettily decorated with crepe paper in pink and green shades. The tables were arranged in a circle and were well laden with such articles as aprons, both large and small, white and colored, for ladies and children, nightgowns, skirts, mittens, embroidered mats, sofa pillows, bags of every description and in fact fancy work of all kinds. The ladies in charge of these tables were Mesdames Woods, Neal, Blanchard, Luxton, Harriman and Miss Lura Bennett.

The supper was served to a large number in the room adjoining the assembly room, and the tables of food looked and were very inviting. Among the viands devoured at those tables were baked beans, white and brown bread, pickles, boiled ham, salads, coffee, doughnuts and pies and cakes of so many kinds that we cannot enumerate them but can testify in regard to their excellence. The young ladies of the M. E. Sweeteners class in the Sunday school did valuable service as waitresses. On the committee for the supper were Mesdames Sweetser, Spencer, Linnell and Brown. The ladies of the Virginia Church Aid should be congratulated on the success of their undertaking. The officers of this organization are: Pres., Mrs. Vaughan; Vice Pres., Mrs. Harriman; Sec., Mrs. Woods; Treas., Mrs. Bennett.

It is expected that the chapel will be dedicated in the near future as soon as satisfactory arrangements can be made with the bishop.

Liquor to be used as a beverage would not be an obtaining feature.

Mr. J. H. Barrows was called. He did not recall, that in his experience as Trial Justice, that he had observed any cases of drunkenness which could be traced to the Bethel agency. He believed that the agency is selling too much liquor, in fact that the amount should be reduced one half at least, and believed that the prescription method would have that effect.

Judge A. E. Herlick explained the condition which existed before the agency was opened and gave his reasons for favoring the establishing of an agency. He held that it was one of the conditions which went with the prohibitory law, that the law contemplated the necessity for liquor and provided the agency. Before the agency was adopted, drug stores supplied the need and had to do it illegally. He favored the agency because it would provide said need and keep within the law. He believed that the system was alright, and that a vigorous application of the laws by the agent and municipal officers all agencies could be run respectably and right.

## CHRISTMAS SALE AND ENTERTAINMENT

### At Garland Chapel, Bethel.

The Ladies' Club of the Congregational church at Bethel will hold their annual Christmas sale in Garland Chapel, Thursday afternoon, Dec. 10th. Notwithstanding the recent fire, there will be the usual display of fancy and useful articles, ready to send to your friends whom you wish to remember with a Christmas gift. The candy table will be supplied with delicious home made candy, and although the supper of necessity will be omitted, the committee wish to announce that there will be a good supply of fresh food for sale.

At seven thirty, an entertainment will be given under the direction of Mrs. Curtis. A great effort has been made to make this an evening of real enjoyment. The program will open with a piano duet by Misses Elsie Hall and Bessie Merrill. A double quartette will sing, "Ye Old Time Songs" in costume, and it is reported that this quartette will be generous in its part of the program. Mrs. Emma Vandenberg will read and Miss Almira Pease will entertain the audience with the family album, which has always met with favor wherever she has presented it.

Admission 20 cents. Children 15 cents. Sale Thursday, p. m. Entertainment at 7:30.

## UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT TO RUMFORD CARPENTER.

Homer Worthly, a carpenter in the employ of V. A. Linnell met with a painful accident on Tuesday forenoon. Mr. Worthly was running a planing machine, when three of the fingers on his right hand were cut off. Mr. Worthly has been very unfortunate of late as he has but recently gotten over a long illness of typhoid fever.

**FUND FOR ATHLETIC FIELD.** Previously acknowledged, \$1,000  
Mrs. T. B. Martin, Rumford Point, 1  
Agnes L. Barton, Fairfield, 1  
Eliot C. Keene, W. Poland, 1  
John H. Carter, Bethel, 2  
Miss Frances Carter, Bethel, 2  
Thos. A. DeCosta, Backfield, 1  
Forrest A. Keene, W. Poland, 1

Total, \$1,105  
**GLAD IT DID SO MUCH GOOD.**

**DRUGGISTS HEAR MUCH PRAISE FOR THIS MIXTURE.**  
Lots of Men and Women Had This Simple Mixture Prepared.

Some remarkable stories are being told about town and among the country people coming in of this simple home made mixture curing rheumatism and kidney trouble. Here is the recipe and directions for taking: Mix by shaking well in a bottle one-half ounce Fluid Extract Sassafras, one ounce Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla. Take as a dose one teaspoonful after meals and at bed time.

No change need be made in your usual diet, but drink plenty of good water. This mixture has a peculiar tonic effect upon the kidneys; cleansing the clogged up pores of the eliminative tissues, forcing the kidneys to sift and strain from the blood the uric acid and other poisonous waste matter, overcoming Rheumatism, Bladder and Urinary troubles in a short while.

A druggist here who has had hundreds of calls for these ingredients since the first announcement in the newspapers last October stated that the people who once try it "swear by it," especially those who have Urinary and Kidney trouble and suffer with Rheumatism.

All the druggists in this neighborhood say they can supply the ingredients, which are easily mixed at home. There is said to be no better blood cleansing agent or system tonic known, and certainly none more harmless or simple to use.

## RUMFORD LODGE, B. P. O. ELKS

### Observed Annual Lodge of Sorrow, Sunday Afternoon.

The annual lodge of sorrow of Rumford Lodge, number 862, B. P. O. Elks, was held Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. The service which was simple but impressive was opened by Exalted Ruler Wm. B. Britton. The speakers for the afternoon were Messrs. H. C. Danton and Theodore Hawley. The speeches were delivered extemporaneously and tribute was paid to the deceased members: Sandy Nile, A. J. Vall, Charles J. Cheney and Fred E. Straburg. During the service a marble tablet bearing the names of the deceased brothers was placed on the wall. It is planned to have the service a public one next year.

## BETHEL LOCALS.

Mr. William Chapman of Gilead was in town one day last week.

Mr. Whitney's friends are pleased to see him on the street again.

Mr. A. F. Copeland is on a business trip through Massachusetts and New York.

Mrs. Horace Annis is substituting for Mrs. Arthur Barker at the Chair Factory.

Mr. Thomas DeCoster, a recent graduate of Gould's Academy is teaching at Redding.

Mrs. Gotthard Carlson has been spending a few days with Mr. Carlson in Portland.

The town schools opened Monday. Many of the scholars are still at home with chicken pox.

The many friends of Mrs. J. C. Billings will be pleased to learn of her improved condition again.

Mr. Guy Kendall went to Mechanic Falls Monday to visit his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Hawley.

Mr. Auramus Morrill is to occupy the Hiram Bean farm in Albany this winter and is logging in that vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Foster of Everett, Mass., visited Mr. Foster's mother, Mrs. C. F. Foster of Newry over Sunday.

Mrs. Leo Thurston and baby are in Rumford for the winter, while Mr. Thurston carries on his lumbering operations.

At the next meeting of the Sons of Veterans on Wednesday, Dec. 16, there will be work. Let all the members attend.

Mr. Edward King, Mr. Pashard and Miss L. M. Stearns have their stores very attractively decorated for the Christmas trade.

Mr. W. J. Wheeler of South Paris sent a Packard piano from Paris by train last Wednesday to be set in for Miss Hazel Arno, and they took back with them an Ivory and Pond which has been at the Rich cottage this summer.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Tuesday, Dec. 15. This will be observed as a red letter day—"Crosseders day." The Union wishes to extend an invitation to all ladies who are interested in the temperance work, whether members of the W. C. T. U. or not, to meet with them at any time.

## BASKET BALL.

The Junior Cyclones of Bethel went to Locke's Mills last Tuesday evening and played the Locke's Mills team, bearing victory on their banners to the tune of 19 to 10.

The following is the line up: Cyclones J. Locke's Mills, Stowell, H. Brown, H. Fairbanks, F. Mason, H. Lapham, H. Thurston, H. Gault from field; Vall 4, Barker 2, Hall 2, Buck 1, Biewell 2, Brown 1, Mason 1, Fairbanks 1. Goals from fouls; Vall 1, Thurston 2 and 15 minute halves. Referee Herlick. Scorer Brown. Time keeper

## WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 8,000 Oxford County homes—4 lines 1 week, 25c. 5 weeks, 50c.

**AUTOMOBILES**—Ten men wanted to train for positions as drivers or repair men. Graduates earn \$15.00 to \$50.00 per week. Oldest and best school. Complete driving and repair course three weeks. Write at once, Portland Auto School, Portland, Me. 11-19 4 t pd

**HYGIENE FACIAL AND SCALP** Treatment. Manicuring, hair dressing, singeing, shampooing, electrolysis and chiropody. Miss Evelyn Barry, Hall Block, Rumford, Me. Graduate of Dr. Parker, Pray System.

**FOR SALE**—At a low price two willow chairs and small willow table, all perfectly new. Also cherry upholstered parlor chair. Inquire at Citizen Office. 11-12

## WE WANT YOU FOR A POLICY HOLDER.

In the Equitable Life Insurance Society. The most popular and most liberally patronized Life Insurance Company operating in the State today. Annual dividends under all policy forms. Look up local agent or communicate direct with the manager for the State, F. H. Hazellon, Portland, Maine. 10-22 8 t

Remember and save your leather tops for rubbers. Randall keeps the Ball Brand and Beane's Rubbers this year. 11-10 4 t pd.

**FOR SALE**—One set light horse sleds and body complete, also a second hand sleigh. Inquire or call on A. J. Stearns, North Bethel. 12-3 3 t pd

**FOR SALE**—Cows of all kinds, also some Chester pigs and fall Berkshire and one pair work horses, H. S. HASTINGS, Newry Corner, Me. 12-10 08 3 t p.

**NOTICE.** The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of William J. Powell late of Upton in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.  
LAVONNE M. POWELL.  
December 1st, 1908. 12-10 3 t

**NOTICE.** The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Henry P. Silles late of Fryeburg Academy Grant in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.  
ALFRED BROWN.  
December 1st, 1908. 12-10 3 t

**In the Right Spirit.** "I am 17. How long should I wear my braces?" wrote a fair lass to the editor of the query department of a leading magazine. "From your first appearance in the morning until you retire at night," replied the editor.—Judge.

## DON'T SWEAR

At your fountain pen if it sweats and bleats and writes by jerks. Don't "kick" if you get your hands all dirty filling it with that old style medicine dropper. Get the Crocker Fountain Pen.

"You blow it to fill it," the only perfected self filling fountain pen made. Easy to clean and easy to write. Never clogs or chokes up, because in the process of filling it, which is by suction, it cleanses itself, every time, clean as a whistle. It is the "greatest thing ever" in the fountain pen line. It will be a great aid to the furtherance of Christianity, as its owner will stop swearing—no "necessity" for any blasphemy in the owner of a Crocker fountain pen; therefore the churches should advocate its general use as an aid to holiness.

No medicine dropper, no sweating, no blotting, none of the inconveniences common to the old line of fountain pens. Call on Newry & Yellow and be convinced. 12-10 30



**Our Store is full of everything**

**and anything you want to fill your list for Christmas shopping.**

**We have an especially attractive line of Handkerchiefs.**

**L. M. STEARNS. Bethel, Me.**

**ADVERTISED LETTERS**

In the Bethel Post Office Dec. 5 1908.

Mrs. Lizzie Armstrong.  
Mrs. Fred E. Martin.  
Mrs. M. M. Thayer.  
H. C. Brown.  
Mr. T. Jordan.

**CASORIA.**  
Its End You Have Always Bought

**BETHEL NATIONAL BANK.**  
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking rooms of said Bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday the twelfth day of January, 1909, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Bethel, Maine, Nov. 28, 1908. 12-3 31  
ELBERT C. PARK, Cashier.

## BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Miss Agnes Hatchings was in Portland last week.

Miss Myra Libby was in Bethel one day last week.

Mr. Alanson Tyler was in this village Saturday.

Miss Bethel Packard is visiting friends at West Paris.

Mr. N. R. Springer was in Norway on business last week.

The Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. Ellen Chandler, Thursday.

Mr. Green of Shelburne, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Mrs. York has been staying with her mother, Mrs. Hannibal Grover.

Mrs. Charles L. Davis and daughter Maude went to Portland Saturday.

Mrs. Clifton Foster and son Wilfred returned home from Bidouville, Saturday.

On Thursday evening there will be a rehearsal of the chorus music for Christmas concert of the M. E. church at the parsonage.

Miss Edith Farwell of Gilead has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Alice Farwell.

Mrs. N. R. Springer spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. E. F. Fickett at Lisbon.

Miss Gwendolyn Stearns went to West Bethel Sunday night to begin her school.

Mr. Daniel Glines has bought the house above the mill of Mr. Isaac Morrill.

Mr. John Anderson substituted for Mr. Henry Verrill on the R. F. D., Monday.

Mrs. Arthur Barker is assisting in the store of Edward King during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Jordan went to Berlin, N. H. Tuesday afternoon to visit relatives.

Although the M. E. Church pie supper last week was the last pie supper it was not least as the saying goes either in patronage or pie. A very good sum was realized which is much appreciated by the society.

M. L. and Wade Thurston were in Grafton last Friday.

Mrs. Edward Stanley and daughter, spent Sunday with her parents at Bryant's Pond.

Quite a number of the children in town are confined to their homes with chicken pox.

Miss Eva Glines is working for Whitten and Dennison at West Bethel, during vacation.

Mrs. Payson Grover visited her daughter, Mrs. Charles Valentine one day last week.

Donald, little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Young has been ill the past week, of chicken pox.

Elmer Howe and Frank E. Russell of Hanover, were in Bethel last Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Lettie Thayer started Monday morning for California, where she is to remain indefinitely.

Mr. F. A. Wight, Miss Edna Wight and Miss Vivian Dingley of Gilead, were in Bethel, Saturday.

Tuesday evening, Dec. 15, being the wedding anniversary of two couples of Sunset Rehearsal Lodge, the officers and members will tender them a reception from 8 to 10 on that evening open to all members of the lodge and invited guests.

Mr. Abbott of South Paris was in Bethel, Sunday.

Mrs. C. W. Hall is visiting friends in Berlin, N. H.

Mrs. T. W. Vashaw of West Bethel, was in town last week.

Mrs. Baker Thurston, who has been receiving treatment in the hospital, is improving and is expected home in a week.

On Monday, at the M. E. parsonage, occurred the marriage, by Rev. C. L. Banghart, of Olin Howe Hayford and Carrie Emma Brooks, both of Grafton.

Don't forget the Christmas Sale at Garland Chapel, Thursday afternoon, and by all means don't forget the entertainment in the evening. They say it's a winner. Let's all find out, it won't cost but 20 cents if we are all grown and less if we are youngsters.

The following clipping concerning Mrs. C. H. Harvey, well known in Bethel was taken from the Boston Globe and given the reporter by Mr. H. C. Barker.

Mrs. C. H. Harvey of Augusta, Me., is the possessor of two old "Tippex" and "Tyler Too" campaign buttons. The buttons were long in the possession of Clark S. Edwards of Bethel, at one time democratic candidate for governor of Maine, and were given to Mrs. Harvey by one of his relatives.

# Only 12 Shopping Days BEFORE CHRISTMAS

For the accommodation of customers the store will be open six evenings a week from now till Christmas. Select your Goods as early as possible, it's to your advantage to do so. Read the following list carefully and if you do not find just what you want in it, a visit to this store will perhaps satisfy your wants, as lack of space compels the omission of hundreds of items which could be mentioned and are equally as desirable as those enumerated.

WATCHES.	RINGS.	VASES.	JAPANESE HANDWORK.	FOUNTAIN PENS.	CHRISTMAS CARDS, POST CARDS, BOOKLETS, ETC.
<b>LADIES' WATCHES.</b> In gold, silver and filled cases. Fully warranted. Open face or hunting. \$10.00 to \$35.00.	A line of rings to suit every taste. Diamonds, Emeralds, Sapphires, Opals, etc., set in many style rings. All solid gold. \$1.00 to \$225.00.	Odd shapes in pretty glass vases, only one or two of a kind. Sure to make useful as well as attractive gifts. 25cts. to 50cts.	Just received a fine stock of hand worked Collars, Ties, Doilies, Centerpieces, Scarfs etc., fresh from the flowery kingdom, where they are made by the patient little Japs at surprisingly low prices.	Crooked and bent pens are both among the few fountain pens which are reliable and satisfactory. They make gifts that will be appreciated and often solve the perplexing question when in doubt as to what to give to some one. Suitable for ladies, gentlemen or scholars. Over 100 to select from, give you a large choice of points at each price. \$1.00 to \$6.00.	New and attractive, where small remembrance is desired. 1c. to 25c.
<b>GENTLEMEN'S WATCHES.</b> Waltham, Elgin, Howard's, etc. rings. Fine time-keepers, various sizes and cases in gold filled, silver and nickel. \$1.00 to \$35.00.	Plain gold rings, chased and signed. Baby and children's rings. \$1.00 to \$10.00. 75cts. to \$2.00.				
<b>BOYS' WATCHES.</b> Ingersoll dollar watches and higher priced grades. Sure to please. \$1.00 to \$10.00.	From gold filled to solid gold, set with pearls, diamonds, etc. A fine line of attractive pins. Sure to please. 25cts. to \$15.00.				
<b>CHAINS.</b> Vest chains, Ladies' fangoutte chains, neck chains. \$1.00 to \$2.50.	<b>CUFF PINS.</b> In plate, filled and solid gold. Also vest pins, bar pins, etc. 25cts. to \$2.50.				
<b>POBS.</b> Ladies' and Gentlemen's fobs. Silk and all metal, with and without safety attachments. 75cts. to \$5.00.	<b>SCARF PINS.</b> Many choice designs in filled and solid gold, plain and set with stones. 25cts. to \$10.00.				
<b>BRACELETS.</b> Secret point and several makes of adjustable bracelets in filled and solid gold. \$1.50 to \$25.00. Children's bracelets. \$1.00 to \$2.00.	<b>CUFF LINKS.</b> An assortment to meet all requirements, plate, filled and solid, 50cts. to \$6.50. <b>THIMBLES.</b> Sterling silver in several weights and patterns. 25cts., 40cts., 50cts., \$1.35.	<b>HANDKERCHIEFS.</b> Always acceptable and always useful, one of the most popular of gifts. All linen, initial handkerchiefs both ladies' and gentlemen's at 25 cents each. Other initial handkerchiefs 10 cents each or 50 cents a box of six. Also, embroidered, hemstitched, crossbar and colored bordered handkerchiefs, 5 to 50 cents each.	<b>COLLARS, BELTS AND TIES.</b> Pretty little gifts that will be used often. A line of the latest styles. 25, 50cts. <b>CHINA.</b> To enumerate the many beautiful pieces of china would require much space and printed words could not fully describe it. You should call and see it. 10cts. to \$10.00.	<b>CHRISTMAS STATIONERY.</b> Always in demand for gifts. Good grade paper put up in Holly and other decorated boxes. 25c., 75cts. Children's box papers 10c., 15c., 25c. <b>SILVERWARE AND CUT GLASS.</b> Sterling and plated tableware, jewel cases, toilet articles, etc. 25cts. to \$5.00. Few choice pieces of rich cut glass, \$2.00 to \$5.00. <b>CLOCKS.</b> Number of styles in small gift clocks, larger ones in black wood kitchen, School and Office clocks. \$1.00 to \$6.00. <b>BASKETS.</b> Waste Baskets, work, handkerchief, glove and other baskets in variety of shapes, sizes, and colors. 10cts. to \$2.25.	<b>DOLLS.</b> Dress dolls, dear to the heart of any young Miss, 25c. up to \$2.50. Kid body dolls, 25c. to \$1.00. Rag dolls, dolls heads etc. <b>TOYS.</b> Should certainly be seen before deciding on the children's gifts. Bring the little ones in to see them. Horses, cows, carts, toys, trains, tops, musical toys, dolls trunks, tea sets, furniture etc. 1c. to \$2.00. <b>GAMES.</b> Amusing and interesting games will keep the children at home and in the house in cold weather. All kinds and prices. 5c. up. <b>SLEDS, CHAIRS, TABLES.</b> Large line of Boys' and Girls' sleds, chairs and tables. 25cts. to \$2.00. <b>HOLLY TAGS, CARDS, RIBBONS.</b> Tissue paper, etc. for doing up your packages. <b>LEATHER GOODS.</b> Purses, Bill books, Cigar cases, Card cases, etc. 5c. to \$2.50.

**Be sure and call and see the many articles not mentioned. Let us help you in any way we can. We are at your command.**

Piano coupons given with all cash purchases except Phonograph goods and Ingersoll watches.

## EDWARD KING, Bethel, Me.



# A Good Start for a Merry Christmas

You will find it in my Rich, Rare and Beautiful Stock of Holiday Goods.

SEE MY ATTRACTIONS---You will be Pleasantly Surprised. A Fine Assortment, Nothing Missing. Everything the Newest and Best.

## My Display of Holiday Goods is a Popular Success.

IT PLEASES because it is fresh, new and novel

IT SATISFIES because it anticipates your every need

IT SAVES because the Prices are right and reasonable

### DON'T FAIL TO SEE MY SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS IN

Eaton-Hurlbut's Xmas Stationery, The Best Made,  
Prices 25c to \$1.50

Pictures, a Large Variety, fine subjects, both mission and gift  
frames, 25c to \$1.50

Bargains in Mirrors.

All the Latest Books.

Price \$1.25

Algier's and Henty's Books for boys.

Price 25c

A fine line of Gentlemen's Shaving Utensils including  
Razor, Safety Razor, Razor Strops, Mugs, Soaps,  
Combination Shaving Sets, Shaving Brushes,  
Shaving Mirrors, Etc.

A Beautiful Display of Toilet and Manicure Goods,  
Comb & Brush Sets, Perfumes in Fancy Packages, Col-  
lar and Cuff Boxes, Ladies' Hand Bags, Pocket Books,  
Smokers Sets, Cigar and Tobacco Jars, Calendars,  
Ink Stands, Toys, Post Cards, Booklets Etc.

The Chilton Fountain Pen, 14 carat gold pen, Extra large Barrel,  
Guaranteed for 1 year.

Special Price, \$1.00

Every thing in Christmas Candies,

Quality Chocolates in Bulk and Fancy Boxes, the best  
kind. The Famous Chocolate Peppermints 20c a lb.,  
Pop-corn Brittle, Kisses, and the Popular Mixtures all  
20c. A variety of other kinds of Confectionery.

# H. S. PUSHARD,

PRESCRIPTION DRUGGIST,

Bethel,

Maine.

#### GILEAD.

Henry Morgan and Clarence Whit-  
man of Greenwood are working for A.  
T. Heath.

Rev. William Clows has severed his  
connection with the church here and ac-  
cepted a call to Gorham, N. H. Mr.  
and Mrs. Clows left Saturday for their  
new home, in which we all wish them  
success.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Coffin and fam-  
ily who have been in Rumford for  
some time past, have returned to Gil-  
ead and Mrs. Coffin will have charge  
of the boarding house for G. E. Leigh-  
ton.

Earl Jordan and family have moved  
into the rent over J. W. Bennett's  
store. Mr. Jordan will resume his du-  
ties as clerk in that store.

The Mountain Hills hold their twenty-  
third annual supper and sale at the  
town hall, Saturday evening, Dec. 12.  
All sorts of fancy articles and candy  
will be on sale. A literary program  
and supper in the evening will insure  
a good time and may there be a large  
and generous attendance.

Mountain View Grange, No. 437, at  
its regular meeting last Friday, elected  
its officers for 1909 which were as fol-  
lows:

Master--Fred A. Wight.  
Overseer--Archibald T. Heath.  
Lecturer--Ralph I. Peabody.  
Steward--Albert P. Farwell.  
Sec.--Winfield C. Newell.  
Treas.--Frank B. Coffin.  
Pomona--Edith C. Farwell.  
Ceres--Jennie E. Coffin.  
Flora--Mrs. Ezra Carter.  
Chaplain--Iva M. Peabody.  
Gate Keeper--Ezra Carter.  
L. A. Steward--Edna Wight.  
Installation at the first meeting in  
January.

#### WEST BETHEL.

The Local Happenings as Told  
By Our Special Reporter.

Mrs. Fox of Bethel, was in this vil-  
lage last Monday.

Mrs. W. W. Goodridge was in Bethel  
last week.

Mrs. Horace Walker and son Allen  
were in Bethel last Monday.

Susan Tyler has gone to work in the  
post card shop.

Elmer Allen has gone to Bethel to  
work and will board with Fred Wood.

Mr. Albert Morrill of New Gloucester  
spent Thanksgiving with his brother,  
Daniel Morrill.

Mr. Gluck and wife from Bethel,  
were in this village one day last week.

Mrs. J. E. Pike and Mrs. Westly  
Dennis were in Bethel, last Tuesday.

Eben Scribner and his daughter, Mrs.  
Sadie Vashaw came home from Rich-  
ardson Lake last Tuesday on business.

They will return some time next week.

Alanson Tyler returned home last  
Friday from a trip to Rumford. And  
over and Dixfield.

Mrs. T. W. Vashaw and Mrs. Michael  
Vashaw were in Bethel last week.

E. J. Bell was in Bethel last Thurs-  
day.

Clayton, the youngest child of Mich-  
ael Vashaw is quite sick.

Mr. Gluck has sold his farm to  
Peter Wrecker.

Mrs. Frank Goodnow and two daugh-  
ters of Gorham, Mrs. Frank Hobbs and  
Miss Adell Goodnow were at George  
Goodnow's last week.

Charles Plummer of Portland was at  
W. W. Goodridge's last week.

Rev. Goodridge and Mrs. Goodnow  
were in Bethel last Wednesday.

Ellen Scribner brought home a fine  
deer head with eight points which Rich-  
ardson Lake and Mr. Scribner got at  
Gibbs Lake.

W. E. Bennett and Emma Bennett of  
Gorham were married at the home of  
the bride, Thanksgiving Day, and are  
at present enjoying a trip to Washing-  
ton, D. C.

George Harding was in Bethel last  
Friday.

John Bellows and Otto Mason, pro-  
ducing some carpenter work for Elmer  
Small.

Mrs. T. W. Vashaw spent the day  
Sunday with Mrs. Harry Vashaw in  
Bethel.

Will Griffin has returned from Provi-  
dence, R. I.

Kenneth Walker was home from the  
16th over Sunday.

Fred Ordway and wife went to  
Gorham, last Saturday.

The social dance which was held at  
Bell's Hall Saturday night was attend-  
ed by twenty-two couples. There will  
be another dance next Saturday, Dec.  
12th.

#### NEWRY.

Lawrence Scarle is staying a few  
days with his sister, Mrs. Bessie Learn-  
ed.

Mrs. Lucretia Bartlett from Sunday  
River is at A. H. Powers'.

Fred Taylor visited his family at  
Bethel last Saturday night.

Harry Bryant has bought a mill at  
North Newry and has a crew getting in  
timber to saw in the spring.

E. S. Douglass is logging at home this  
winter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Knapp have mov-  
ed to their home.

#### NORTH NEWRY.

Mrs. R. W. Kilgore is quite ill at  
this writing.

Mrs. W. D. Kilgore was in Norway  
last week.

Miss Rena Eames was at home from  
West Bethel, Sunday.

Mr. C. D. Kellogg was in town recent-  
ly.

Mrs. P. C. Bennett went to Bethel  
Saturday, to see her mother, Mrs. Alice  
Vail, who is quite ill.

H. P. Thurston has a crew cutting  
birch with which to supply his mill.

On Friday evening, Dec. 11th the  
drama entitled "The Old Dairy Home  
stead," will be played at R. W. Kil-  
gore's Hall with the following cast of  
characters:

Mrs. D. D. Kilgore, an Irish detective--  
Fred W. Wight.

Malcolm Gray, a schemer and ex-con-  
vict--John B. Vail.

John Williams, a farmer--  
Leon E. Wight.

Willie Work, a gentleman of means--  
Arthur Hatch.

Josh Arrowood, the town constable--  
H. O. Chapman.

Roby, a little wolf--  
Emma Thornton.

Mrs. Gilman, a desiring widow--  
Corrie Wight.

Manda, the farmer's niece--  
Mrs. Weston Kellogg.

Roby, the farmer's son--  
Hathrop Day.

After the play, refreshments will be  
served and a social dance will follow.  
The school committee have a good time.

#### GRAFTON.

Charles Webster and Frank Green  
went from Water, Maine, have been  
hunting here, of late. They returned  
home Monday, Nov. 30th with two nice  
deer. Charles Douglass of Boston, also  
got two nice large bucks in this sec-  
tion of late. J. W. Chapman with whom  
he landed took them to Bethel, Nov.  
30th.

Byron Barker has been repairing his  
lawn the past week, getting it ready for  
the winter.

Mattie Brooks, who has been staying  
at A. E. Brock's, returned to her home  
in Bethel, Saturday.

P. W. Tyler made a business trip to  
Bethel for supplies Friday of last week,  
returning Saturday.

Deer have been very plenty in this  
locality and many have been taken from  
this town and many more have passed  
through it on the stage.

#### NORTHWEST BETHEL.

School began the 8th with Miss Mit-  
dred Hapgood teacher. She will board  
at Mrs. Anna Stearns'.

Mrs. Brainard Burbank of Shelburne  
was a recent guest at her sister's, Mrs.  
E. L. Small.

Artemus Mason, who has been visit-  
ing his daughter in New Hampshire  
for some days, has returned.

Geo. Bennett, who is working for  
Saunders, cutting pine on the lot owned  
by Mrs. Ann Barbrink, will board at  
R. L. Bennett's.

R. L. Bennett has a very handsome  
pair of bay horses recently purchased  
at Norway.

Mrs. E. S. Skillings and daughter,  
who have spent the greater part of the  
summer and fall at Gen. Mason's have  
gone to their home in Portland.

Mrs. C. O. Moore of North Bethel  
was in this neighborhood last week with  
some of her dainty birth bark novelties  
which she finds a ready sale for.

John Carleton was at Newry the 7th;  
he and his wife, will work for  
Wm. Chapman up White Valley the com-  
ing winter, where Mr. Chapman has a  
crew of men.

Mr. and Mrs. Bond have come from  
Massachusetts, and got settled in their  
new home here. Prof. Chapman is hav-  
ing a lot of wood cut on his farm  
near Small's.

#### EAST BETHEL.

The winter term of school is in ses-  
sion under the instruction of Mr. F. M.  
Vail. He is teaching at J. M. Hart-  
lett's.

Mr. Fred Emerson of Lowell, Mass.,  
made a business trip to Bethel and  
visited Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Bartlett here  
last week.

Mr. George Armitage who has been  
serving a number of weeks with his  
son, Mrs. Ella Bean, has returned to  
his home at Lawrence, Mass., much im-  
proved in health.

Alder River Grange held a poverty  
party and fair Wednesday evening, Dec.  
3, which attracted a good crowd. An  
old time supper was served from six to  
eight. The upper hall was handsomely  
decorated with flags, strings of red,  
white and blue and green bays. There  
was an apron table, large table, some  
made candy table and a handsome game  
table. All were well patronized. Fol-  
lowing the sale came the drawing of the  
lucky tickets as follows: Mr. A. L.  
Mitchell, quilt; Mr. H. M. Jackson of  
Rumford, sofa pillow; Mrs. Inez Har-  
rington, sofa pillow; Mr. J. H. Swan,  
game table, which was put up at auction  
and bid off by Mr. Chas. Cross, who  
afterwards cut and passed it among  
the crowd. Mrs. Ella Bean and Wal-  
ter Bartlett were the most patched up  
and destitute looking and others seem-  
ing as bad. A number were in costume of  
"ye olden times." Mrs. Walter Bart-  
lett was dressed in a very stylish ses-  
sion made about the year 1870, her  
hair dressed to correspond, all lent a  
very interesting feature to a pleasant  
evening and many enjoyed the social  
dance. All proved a good success, the  
net proceeds being forty-six dollars.

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Sets.

But what's the use to try and enumerate. The best we can do is invite all CHRISTMAS SHOP-  
PERS to come in and take a look at the contents of these tables. The Goods will do the rest.

### They can suggest more in a minute than we could in a whole newspaper.

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## THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Recreations—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers  
as they Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Editor's Note.—It is our desire to make this department one of the most in-  
teresting and valuable features of the whole paper. To this end we ask the as-  
sistance of our readers. Choice verse and gems of thought will be gladly re-  
ceived. Here are our thanks for anything that our friends have sent or may send.

The Best Of It,  
Let us make the best of it, dearest,  
The best, and never the worst.  
The road is rough with trouble enough  
But the last may redeem the first.

Let us plod on bravely, dearest,  
It's only a step at a time,  
Skies now gray will clear some day,  
And there's joy in an upward climb.

Let us make the best of it, dearest,  
The best, and never the worst.  
Though roads be rough, there's cheer  
enough,  
And the last shall redeem the first.

A Commonplace Hero,  
You may read any day in the papers  
The name of a commonplace man,  
Confronted with trial and danger,  
Who just does the best he can.  
He is not on the lookout for glory,  
He is not on the lookout for self,  
In the direful stress of disaster  
He has not thought of himself.

There was Duffy, who sent in the  
warning  
Hemmed in by the hot breath of  
Honey  
Till the fire chief heard and responded:  
More dead than alive when they  
came,  
And one to the blessed air dragged  
him,  
Their comrade, a commonplace man,  
Defiant of death and of danger,  
He had stood at the post in the van.

There is many a hero unguessed,  
Crowds do not go wild at his name.  
It shall never be blazoned in letters  
Of gold, in the archives of fame.  
But I'm thinking that God and the  
angels  
Have a smile for the commonplace  
man.

Who, menaced by darkness and dan-  
ger,  
Does bravely the best that he can.

Purity in Womanhood.  
A German Philosopher has poetically  
and truthfully said, "The two most  
beautiful things in the universe are the  
stars bravest over our heads and the  
sentiment of duty to the human soul."  
Few objects are richer for the contem-  
plation of the truly high-minded man  
than is a young woman who lives, acts,  
speaks and exerts her powers for an  
enlightening conviction of duty, in  
whose soul the voice of duty is the  
voice of God. In such women there is a  
mighty force of moral power. Though  
they may be as gentle as a lamb, or  
reluctant and modest in their demeanor,  
there is in them what commands re-  
spect, what enforces esteem. They are  
the strong women. The can be no in-  
truder in its course than they are to  
themselves. They are reliable as the ever-  
lasting rocks. Every day finds them  
in the same beautiful, steady and  
moral firmness. Men look to them  
with confidence that knows no doubt.  
They are fearless and brave, they have  
the right to know their duty, to be ready to  
engage in it, and though men laugh  
and sneer at them, though the world  
frowns and threatens they will keep at  
it.

No character is complete until it is  
awakened and elevated by genuine pity.  
No heart is fully happy till it is im-  
bued with the spirit of pity. No life is  
all at once and should be until it is  
baptized in the waters of pity. This  
divine grace of the soul should be  
sought by every young woman and  
cultivated with the most assiduous  
care. For with out it she is destitute of  
the highest beauty and divinest charm  
and power of womanhood.

An Emergency.  
The old man had "billy goat" who  
used to be a brown hickory shirt  
with eagle buttons, but his heart was  
to the right place.

It was a city store—not one of the  
cheap stores, but a place where they  
kept all sorts of toys and odd things  
cheap.

An old Irish woman in a shawl and  
red hat had come in, and stood fash-  
ing with her trembling hands at the  
wonder of the parcel which she car-  
ried. At last she could bear it no longer  
and she took from the paper a  
little red bag with one white ball.

Sheeping up to the deeper door  
water she said humbly, "This is a gift  
for you, sir. All I can get for me, an  
it been broken. The wheel here came  
all it. The don't want to be puttin' the  
same onto no was. I'm just a poor  
old woman and I'm just a poor old  
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it under looks that is 'o'd'n't 'a  
broke."

"Can't be helped; we are not respon-  
sible for breakage after customers have  
received goods. Couldn't have been  
done here—the saleslady would have  
noticed it."

There was a disappointed look on  
the woman's face, and her lip quivered  
as she began to tie up the parcel.

The old man with the hickory shirt  
stepped forward. "Hurry, I'm sure  
it. You can't see it off'n the wheel. Young  
man, you kin fetch me a nut to fix that  
thar axle."

"But we—this is not a repair shop."  
"I say you fetch me a nut. You  
kin take one off'n one o' them other  
cars."

"But we don't—!" Here one of the  
shop girls came up and whispered,  
"Better get it. That old man just  
bought sixty dollar's worth of goods."  
The dapper fellow went away, and soon  
returned with the required bit of iron.

The old man coolly took his huge  
complicated jack knife and opened out  
a small monkey wrench, with which he  
fixed the wheel; then he wrapped up  
the parcel and handed it to the old  
woman.

She took it with trembling hands.  
"O'm obliged to ye, sir," said she,  
and hugging the bulky bundle to her  
breast, she went out into the street and  
disappeared among the eager, rushing  
jostling throng of shoppers.—Short  
Stories.

What is needed most of all in bring-  
ing up children is example. What  
they see and hear and take in by ab-  
sorption in their young years, will, in  
most cases, become the ruling traits of  
their lives. Parents rarely fully realize  
to what extent they stand as models  
to their children.

Prompt People.  
Don't live a single hour without  
doing exactly what is to be done in  
it, and going straight through it from  
beginning to end. Work, play, study,  
whatever it is, take hold at once and  
finish it up squarely; then to the next  
thing, without letting any moments  
drop between. It is wonderful to see  
how many hours the prompt people  
contrive to make of a day; it is as if  
they picked up the moments that the  
dwellers lost. And if you find your-  
self where you have so many things  
pressing upon you that you hardly  
know where to begin, let us tell you a  
secret: Take hold of the very first  
one that comes to hand, and you will  
find the rest all fall into line, and  
follow after, like a company of well  
drilled soldiers; and though work may  
be hard to meet when it charges in a  
squad, it is easily vanquished if you  
can bring it into line.

Men of Courage Wanted.  
More men of courage. Surely that  
is what the world needs to make it  
better.

Not the courage to fight and die on  
the field of battle, but to live in one's  
daily work when there is much to be  
done; to keep on in the struggle when  
failure attends the footsteps; to stand  
at the post of duty when it is an ab-  
solute one and no voice of kind ap-  
proach is heard.

We need men with courage to tell the  
truth at the counter, even if a sale  
be missed; to rebuke him who offers a  
preface work in a public place; to  
speak on the unpopular side of a ques-  
tion; and to vote, from deep conviction,  
with a small majority. We need men  
with courage to refuse to sign a peti-  
tion of an unworthy applicant for of-  
fice, and courage to do anything which  
makes a majority to exclude. "He is  
very courteous." Some men call for  
the bravest sooner than a laugh, and  
care less for a blow than a word of  
contempt. It is sad to think how  
many have been led into intemperance  
and profligate habits by the fear of  
their comrades laughing at their em-  
barrassed struggles. Oh, for the cour-  
age to say "No," when others entice,  
and to say "Yes," when others exhort.

**DAKOTA'S WONDERFUL  
GRAIN FIELDS.**

John Kimberly, Maudsley, writing in  
the current issue of Harper's Weekly,  
presents a wonderful picture of the  
fertility and prosperity of the Dakotas,  
the granary of America. During the  
summer months, says the author, the  
Dakota laborer on his farm, harvest  
ing and gathering the golden crops. In

## WHEAT AND TARES.

Every day is a fresh beginning;  
Every morn is the world made new,  
You who are weary of sorrow and sin-  
ning,  
Here is a beautiful hope for you.  
A hope for me and a hope for you.

All the past things are past and over,  
The tucks are done and the tears are  
shed.  
Yesterday's errors let yesterday cover;  
Yesterday's wounds, which smarted  
and bled,  
Are healed with the healing which  
night has shed.

A woman without religion is like a  
flower without perfume.

There is nothing more tantalizing to  
go home all primed to scold about  
something, and find company there  
and be obliged to act agreeably.

It is one of the paradoxes of life that  
the more a woman keeps her husband  
in hot water, the colder he grows to-  
ward her.

Not Bad.  
A boy was asked to explain the dif-  
ference between animal instinct and  
human intelligence. "If we had in-  
stinct," he said, "we should know  
everything we needed to know without  
learning it; but we've got reason, and  
so we have to study ourselves 'most  
blind or be a fool."—Universalist  
Leader.

If you want to ruin your boy just  
take his side on every question and  
dispute he has with his teacher or  
your neighbors' children. Just let him  
know you are with him, right or  
wrong, in all his disputes. This will  
give him a good start in the down-  
ward path.

Remember, it is looking down that  
makes one dizzy. Look up, and your  
brain clears, your heart grows calm,  
your strength comes to you for every  
task and every emergency.

When hauling loads to market, don't  
leave the stone in the road with which  
you block the wheel. Throw it aside.

If a man wears his trousers out at  
the bottom he's generally a vagabond;  
if at the knees he's religious, or a  
good orchardist; but if in the seat he's  
either a waggoner or as lazy as Peter  
Tumbledown.

A good deal is written about the June  
bride, but the young man who marries  
in September, if he is the right sort,  
will never have occasion to regret it.

Some men seem to be ashamed of be-  
ing caught buying candy and toys for  
the little ones. Rather let them be glad  
that they have the little ones to buy for.

The conditions of happiness are three:  
A clean conscience, something to do,  
and some one to love.

Why She Was Absent.  
A teacher in one of the girls' schools  
in New York recently had the follow-  
ing excuse for absence handed her by  
one of her pupils: "Dear Miss: It  
gives me much pleasure to write to  
you, because I have a worryment, and  
you should please excuse my Auntie,  
who does not come to you because she  
has to go to the hospital with her sis-  
ter's sore eyes."

From Sorrow.  
Many an irritating fault, many an  
unlovely oddity, has come of a hard  
sorrow, which has crushed and  
ruined the nature just when it was  
expanding into plenteous beauty; and  
the trivial, crying life which we visit  
with our harsh blame, may be but as  
the untidy motion of a man whose  
best limb is withered.—George Eliot.

Winter he takes his holiday, leaving  
the snow covered fields to regenerate  
against next season. One man went to  
the Northern region with nothing. He  
lived in a cave and house, borrowed money to  
start with, paid it off in no time, and  
went into debt for more land, a quarter  
section at a time. After a decade he  
doesn't own a dollar, and the farm is  
paying him thousands every year and  
growing in value. He has been offered  
\$10,000 for his place and laughed at it.  
Exhausted as such as these, says the author,  
are so common as to become tedious.  
Only there is no "primrose path of  
dalliance" for the poor man who  
starts out to harvest fortune from the  
prairie. His pay day will come, and  
quickly, but there is no Yonerville, no  
"Great White Way," no shirking or  
come for shirkers.

## HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS

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### Comfort for the Father

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Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of  
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Colic. It relieves Teething Troubles, cures Consti-  
pation and Flatulency. It assimilates the Food, regulates  
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## NORWAY AND SOUTH PARIS

### NORWAY.

Miss Ethel Richardson of Bethel has recently been a visitor at Mrs. Geo. P. Lockes.

Mr. Ellsworth Young who lately purchased the well known Elms Hotel property from the Dennis Pike Agency opened the house to the public Saturday, Dec. 5th. Mr. Young also retains the John Horne stand, which he will convert into three tenements a little later. It is safe to say the new manager of this noted hostelry will surely prove a popular landlord, especially with the commercial travellers.

Rev. B. S. Bidcutt contemplates forming a Knights of King Arthur among the eligible members of the Congregational Sabbath School.

The Electric Power Company have been having a run of hard luck during the past week. Last Saturday their large Westinghouse engine broke down. The South Paris plant was called into action but could not handle the whole business, so everything was cut out on the circuit but the cars and the lights. B. F. Spinnery & Co. were forced to shut down until Monday noon and other smaller firms depending on the electric power gave up until repairs could be made. Chas. Murdoch's crew worked from Saturday until Sunday morning, getting the engine back to normal condition.

Considerable delay resulted because of an electric car off the track, during the slushy conditions last Monday. Many South Paris people tested the walking which was anything but good.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Adrich on Skilling's Ave., South Paris, Thanksgiving Day, the contracting parties being Mr. Guy Allen Buck, son of Chas. H. Buck Jr. of Milton Plantation and Miss Henrietta M. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus F. Gammon of Norway. The impressive single ring ceremony was performed by Rev. J. H.

Little of the South Paris Universalist church before a few intimate friends and relatives. Miss Mae Everett of Norway was the maid of honor and Mr. Crockett Record of South Paris the best man. Both the bride and groom are exceedingly popular among the young people of both villages and were the recipients of many valuable and useful presents. Mrs. Buck was presented with fifteen dollars in gold by her shopmates in the B. F. Spinnery Company's cutting room, last Tuesday after they returned from a week's honeymoon.

Most of the stores are getting into line for a big Christmas trade. Cole's Jewellery store have a well arranged window display. Dr. Parmenter has a big line of optical goods besides exclusive designs in all kinds of high class jewelry. The E. N. Swett Shoe Co. present something seasonable in their large windows which draw many their way. Both Foster, and the Frank Noyes Co., offer new things and know just how to exhibit furnishings to advantage. W. C. Leavitt Co. the popular hardware dealers offer some grand good bargains in stoves this week. They can satisfy the trade, as their supply meets every kind of fuel, namely, oil, wood or coal.

The Congregational fair proved a complete success last week. Everybody turned out, both afternoons and evenings, with a good supply of change. More than 250 attended the famous chicken pie supper while more came to the splendid entertainment that followed. A good sum was realized from this, the most successful fair ever held by the Ladies' Circle.

### SOUTH PARIS.

Schools close Friday of this week in the village. They will reopen Monday, Dec. 28th.

One has only to look into the store windows to be reminded of the fact

that Christmas is rapidly approaching. How greatly we should help those who at this time of the year are obliged to work early and late, if we would take the advice of the merchants and do our Christmas shopping as early as possible. Remember that clerks and assistants are human and do not expect too much attention during this busy season.

Carl S. Briggs has discontinued his teaching in Rumford and returned to his home here.

Roy E. Cole is employed during the vacation of Bates College in the insurance office of W. J. Wheeler and Co.

Mrs. E. N. Anderson has returned from a visit of some length with her son, Harold C. Anderson and family in Providence, R. I.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet with Mrs. A. W. Walker this Thursday afternoon.

The marriage intentions of Mr. Crockett Record of South Paris and Miss Mae Everett of Norway are on file at the clerk's office.

The old customers of Mr. A. E. Shurtliff certainly demonstrated the fact that they were pleased to have him again as proprietor of the grain mill. On Tuesday of last week, when Mr. Shurtliff again took possession of his mill, the sales for the day reached the high figures of \$242.00, it being one of the largest days sales he ever had in his long business career, and shows that an upright and fair business man is always appreciated by his customers.

Mrs. Henry Phillips is visiting relatives in Auburn.

Francis Porter and family have moved from the rent in the William Mc Ardle house, which they have occupied several years, into one of the new houses recently completed by William B. Russell.

Invitations to the wedding of Roy H. Porter and Miss Bessie C. Ripley have been received by many friends of the two young people who reside in this village. The wedding is to take place, Monday, Dec. 21st at the home of Miss Ripley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert C. Ripley, at Pawhuska, Okla. Mr. Porter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Porter of this place and was born and reared here, graduating from

Paris High School in the class of 1902 and from U. of M. in 1906. He now has an excellent position as assistant professor of Mechanical Engineering at the Iowa State College. He has also passed the civil service examination in the same branch and although offered a position as the result of his good work in that examination, he preferred to remain in his present position. Miss Ripley is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hall of this village and spent much of her early life with them and attended school here, being very popular among her schoolmates and making many friends. The best wishes of their many Maine friends will be extended to the young couple in their western home.

Some of those who were on the street at a rather late hour Sunday evening reported seeing a fire off in a northeast direction, but it was late Monday afternoon before the location of the fire was known. It proved to be the farm buildings of Moses Dowe in Sumner. The buildings were an unusually good set and much sympathy was expressed for Mr. and Mrs. Dowe, who are well along in years.

Paris' new bank is now in full swing. The results of the first week's business is very satisfactory to those most interested in it, who have worked hard to get it into existence.

Harry D. Cole of Bryant's Pond has been appointed jailer for the next term of two years by Sheriff Hiram R. Hubbard. Wilbur L. Ferrar will move to the house on High street which he recently purchased of C. F. Penley, after serving as jailer for four years under both Democratic and Republican sheriffs.

A special car carried home the senior class of Norway High School Friday evening after they had been entertained for the evening by Principal P. E. Hathaway and wife at their home in this village. The assistant teachers of the school were also present with the class.

The annual meeting of Riverside Cemetery Association, was held at Wright and Wheeler's office Saturday afternoon. The old board of officers were re-elected and the finances of the association shown to be in excellent condition.

The Good Cheer Society had a large attendance at its supper and entertainment of last week. The following is the committee appointed to have charge of the annual fair of the society: Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Little, Mrs. C. A. Young, Mrs. H. E. Carter, Mrs. A. D. Park, Mrs. J. G. Littlefield, Miss Grace Chayer, Mrs. H. G. Fletcher, Mrs. Lila H. Woodbury, Mrs. J. S. Burbank, Mrs. T. E. Andrews, Mrs. A. L. Holmes, Mrs. H. M. Childs, Mrs. J. F. Evans.

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Nice line of Dressed Dolls.

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All of the popular and many of the new ones.

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Cigars in neat Holiday Boxes containing 25 and 50 Cigars. The kind he will enjoy and can smoke with a relish.

### CANDY.

Apollo Chocolates in Holiday Dress. These boxes are very attractive, and the confection inside is of a delicious quality, range in price from 50 cents to \$5.00. Besides these our general line is complete.

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A suitable gift for old and young. The Brownie cameras from \$2.00 to \$5.00 produce good results.

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No more useful gift can be made for Lady or Gentleman than one of Waterman's Fountain Pens. See the Secretary and Safety Pens.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1908.

In our last issue we referred to an investigation which the Editor of the Citizen is making concerning the recent attack upon the Norway Water Company by the means of a communication published in our columns, and stated that our findings would be reported this week. Owing to various circumstances over which we have not control, a full investigation has not yet been possible. We hope to cover the matter fully, however, before another week, and when we have investigated to our satisfaction, our report will be made.

## MAINE LIQUOR AGENCIES.

The investigation of the Maine liquor agencies, which has taken place during the past two weeks, while it has not revealed conditions at all satisfactory to the friends of temperance and our temperance law, it has revealed the fact that the trouble lies not in the law and its provision for the agencies, but rather in the disobedience of the principles of the law by the authorities controlling the various agencies. The law has teeth enough but the jaw bone seems to be rather weak.

The governing principle of the agency feature of the law seems to admit of a great deal of flexibility, and the agency is sent free to apply itself, in a large degree, to the demands put upon it by the various localities in which it is established. The town or city which recognizes the need of a place where liquors can be purchased for medicinal and mechanical purposes, and yet would not

tolerate the sale of liquors for improper uses, find, in the Maine liquor agency provision, a system which will meet their needs to the letter, and given the agency with honest management and honest support of fearless officials, an ideal condition will obtain. But an agency under the same law placed in a locality where public sentiment would tolerate an injudicious sale, and with an agent and officers obedient to such sentiment, may become little else but an open liquor saloon.

This has been quite conclusively proven by the present investigation. In Portland, a very excellent and commendable system was found. There, they are keeping as far as possible within the intent and purpose of the law. In some other instances the conditions, while not entirely satisfactory, are not seriously wrong, while in other cases, such as Chelsea, Randolph, Lewiston and Greenwood, the agencies seem to exist for the purpose of supplying liquors to any and practically all who come, and incidentally, or perhaps primarily, to furnish a good annual revenue to the town treasury.

The spirit of the law is all right, but a law, dealing with so treacherous a subject as the sale of intoxicating liquors, should be no definite and pointed that communities and men which would take advantage cannot do so and escape proper penalty. We believe the investigation will result in proper legislation to regulate the agency question and bring the working of the law into a closer relation with the spirit of the law. It was evident from the attitude of the committee that, some of them at least, after the various investigations were made, were firm in their opinion that a provision requiring a physician's prescription should be provided. There also seemed a tendency toward the opinion that the agency should be operated without profit to the town establishing it.

We believe that these two provisions, attached to the existing law concerning Maine liquor agencies, would produce a radical change from the conditions which exist at the present time. It is doubtless evident that what is required is restriction. Each agency is selling vastly more liquor than is required for legitimate purposes. At present it rests with the agent and local authorities to ward off

those who would buy illegally. Here is the weakness, let the State make the restrictions and oblige the agencies to live to them, and the enemies of the law will have less cause to assail it because of the injudiciousness of the few agencies which exist.

COUNTY ATTORNEY BARNES  
A CANDIDATE.

The friends of County Attorney Charles P. Barnes of Norway have persuaded him to allow his name to be used in connection with the Assistant Attorney Generalship of the State of Maine.

That Mr. Barnes possesses the qualifications which the duties of that office place upon an incumbent, all who are at all familiar with his record as County Attorney for Oxford County during the past four years are fully convinced. As a prosecuting attorney he has proven himself able, honest and fearless and will retire from the office on Jan. 1st with a record behind him of which any man might feel proud.

During his term of office he has handled three homicide cases, difficult and strenuous ones, with credit to himself and honor to the State, has revived the proceedings by injunction against property owners, leasing apartments to liquor sellers, and has persistently and faithfully prosecuted the offenders of the Prohibition law as a long list of fines and jail sentences will prove. In short, he has been characterized as one of the most faithful and vigorous prosecuting attorneys in Maine, during his term of public service.

Such is the record of Charles P. Barnes, County Attorney for Oxford County, and such will be his record if called to the higher plain of service to which his friends seek his appointment. Mr. Barnes has a large practice in Norway. He is a frugal and a prominent Mason, besides a very influential and cultured man. His excellent work as Superintendent of the Norway public schools has won the heartfelt thanks of every loyal citizen and right thinking parent in the town.

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"Because," answered the orator, who never gets an office, "it's the only extravagance I can afford."—Washington Star.

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FROM

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Our Holiday Stock now ready, so shop early and be sure of a large assortment to choose from.

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for the largest Christmas business of our career. Our store is literally filled to overflowing with a grand display of useful and ornamental gifts.

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From among the great variety of Druggist Sundries and Specialties the most appropriate and acceptable gifts can be selected. We greatly appreciate the generous favors we have received in the past.

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## The Cote Pharmacy

P. S. The Prescription and Drug Department will receive during the Christmas season the same careful attention that has always characterized our store,

## STATE OF MAINE.

## COUNTY OF OXFORD, SS.

November 30, A. D. 1908.  
Taken this thirtieth day of November, A. D. 1908, issued on an execution dated the ninth day of November, A. D. 1908, issued on a judgment rendered by the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Oxford, at the term thereof begun and held on the second Tuesday of October, A. D. 1908, to wit on the fourth day of November, A. D. 1908, in favor of Julius P. Skillings of Bethel in said County of Oxford, against Abiel Goss of Greenwood in said County of Oxford, for thirty-five dollars and eighty cents, debt or damage and seven tern dollars and twelve cents costs of suit, and will be sold at public auction at the law office of Herrick and Park in said Bethel, to the highest bidder, on the fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1909, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the following described real estate and all the right, title and interest which the said Abiel Goss has and had in and to the same on the thirteenth day of March, A. D. 1908, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, the time when the same was attached on the writ in the same suit, to wit:—a certain lot or parcel of land situated in Locke's Mills Village in the town of Greenwood in said county, and known as the Bullock stand and bounded and described as follows, viz:—beginning on the road leading from said Locke's Mills to Bean's Corner, so called, at a point where said road intersects the road leading from Locke's Mills to Bethel; thence running northerly on said road to the south easterly line of the Dr. David's lot, so called; thence westerly or southwesterly, northerly and easterly on the lines of the said David's lot to said road and then continuing northerly on said road to the town line between Greenwood and Bethel; thence westerly on said town line to the said road leading from Locke's Mills to Bethel; thence on said road southerly to the point of beginning.

FRED P. BEAN,  
Deputy Sheriff.

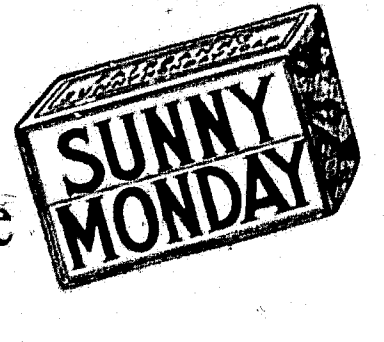
## NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Elsie N. Hodgeson late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and gives bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted there to are requested to make payment immediately.

JAMES N. HODGSON.  
November 17th, 1908.  
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On Holiday Goods.

It has been our custom each year to give away souvenir calendars, and this year we have decided to give you money instead and on Saturday, Dec. 12 to Wednesday, Dec. 16, we will give a 20 per cent. discount on all purchases of Holiday Goods amounting to \$3.00 or more. This is for four days only, the 12th, 14th, 15th and 16th.

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and lots of other good things.

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In making up your Holiday list of Gift Things It is Wise to make decisions favorable to that class of Christmas Remembrances of a lasting character—so called SENSIBLE GIFTS.

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Handkerchiefs, Kid Gloves, Womens Fine Hosiery, Women's Fur Neck Pieces and Muffs, Leather Goods, we have a very strong line, Linens, this includes a range of cost from a small 10c. doily to a matched set of Table Linen for \$10.00, Dress Goods, Waistings, Silk Petticoats, Bath Robes, Kimonos, Neckwear, Blankets, Hair Ornaments, Pillow Shams and Bureau Scarfs, Umbrellas.

The above mentioned Lines we have—and More—in suitable range of kinds, designs and qualities to please all shoppers.

Infinite care and watchfulness has been exercised to make Each Line Complete.

Visiting here and seeing our displays and feeling the Christmas Spirit that pervades the atmosphere of this store, is to feel yourself carried by the current and you feel better—Happier—and your Christmas joy is greatly increased whether you buy or not—Come anyway and visit at least.

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### PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eight. The following matter having been presented for action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of December, A. D. 1908, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Ephraim Wight late of Gilead, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Albert D. Wight, he executor therein named.

Doreas S. Cushman late of Bethel, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented James S. Hutchins, administrator.

Stephen H. Foster late of Bethel, deceased; first and final account presented for allowance by Daniel C. Foster, administrator.

Garter A. Grover late of Albany, deceased; petition for allowance out of personal estate presented by Amelia S. Grover, widow.

Sylvanus B. Browne of Bethel, ward; final account presented for allowance by F. B. Tuell, guardian.

ADDISON E. HERRICK,  
Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest:  
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STATE OF MAINE,  
OXFORD, SS.

Clerk's Office,  
Supreme Judicial Court.

South Paris, Maine, December 5, 1908.

By order of Hon. George E. Bird, Justice of said court, presiding at the October Term, 1908, the Grand and Traverse Jurors now drawn are not required to be in attendance in court at Paris on the 10th day of December, next, nor will they be required to attend at any other time unless specially ordered to do so before the March Term, 1909.

The Grand Jurors will be in attendance at said March Term, without special summons, but new Traverse Jurors will be summoned for that term of the court.

CHARLES F. WHITMAN,  
Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court.

More people are taking Foley's Kidney Remedy every year. It is considered to be the most effective remedy for kidney and bladder trouble that medical science can devise. Foley's Kidney Remedy corrects irregularities, builds up worn out tissues and restores lost vitality. It will make you feel and look well. W. F. Bosserman, Bethel, Chas. E. Fernald, Rumford.

We make our own Confectionery.

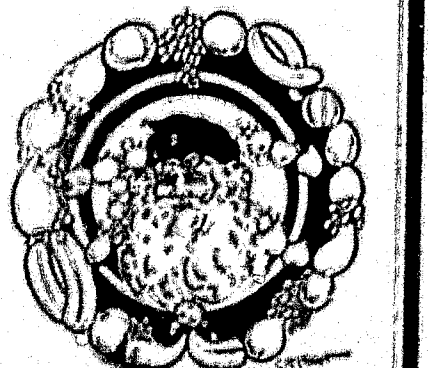
We make it of pure stock and make it good.

Special for Xmas.  
Two pound boxes of Ribbon Candy for 25 cents.

New Nuts,  
Dates, Navel  
and Florida  
Oranges.

Remember the Place.

E. L. Winslow,  
77 Congress St., Rumford, Me.



### THE CHOICEST FRUITS

are here to help you make the Christmas feast complete. Bananas, oranges, pears, apples, grapes and all the others obtainable. Don't forget also that we handle only

THE PUREST AND  
FRESHEST CANDIES.  
Headquarters for Nuts.  
RUMFORD FALLS FRUIT CO.

# Coats and Suits Marked Down.

The assortment is large.

DRY GOODS  
**Thomas Smiley**

NORWAY,

MAINE.

# PERTINENT POINTS PERTAINING PRACTICAL PRESENTS.

Merry will be the Christmas and Happy  
will be the New Year

If your holiday Purchases include some of the things that are fundamentally necessary to the merriment and happiness that lasts not only through the to-days but through the tomorrows as well.

If such you would have inspect my line of

Ladies' and Gent's Fur Coats.  
Ladies' and Gent's Fur Caps.  
Ladies' and Gent's Fur Mitts and gloves.

And then if you would be truly merry and glad and fully enjoy those anticipated sleigh rides the JINGLE, JINGLE, JINGLE of a DANDY SET of NEW SLEIGH BELLS will make you so while a NICE FUR ROBE and one of those CARRIAGE HEATERS will keep you as warm and make you feel as snug as a bug in a rug.

You can get a complete outfit and be made happy at

**YOUNG'S,**  
Bethel, Maine.

1908 CHRISTMAS SALE 1908

I have a full line of Winter Millinery we are selling at a great reduction in price. All work receives prompt attention.

### Specials.

I have a complete line of Ladies' & Children's Handkerchiefs. Good values. My Fancy Goods Counter is well filled with pretty and useful articles to be made up for Christmas.

I have the usual line of Ladies' Belts, Fancy Neckwear, Hosiery, Knit and Cotton Underwear.

As usual for the Holiday trade.

I will have a large and attractive assortment of hand painted China, Book-Marks, Etc.

**MISS C. J. HALL,**  
RUMFORD, MAINE.

### UNION S. S. MEETING Held at South Paris. Address by Rev. A. S. Bisbee.

A union meeting of the four Sunday schools of the village was held at the Methodist church Sunday evening and was addressed by Rev. A. S. Bisbee, a representative of the Anti-Saloon League. The church was well filled with an interested audience. Mr. Bisbee also gave an illustrated lecture in the same church, Monday evening.

### IT IS SERIOUS. Some Maine People Fail to Realize the Seriousness.

Many Maine people take their lives in their hands by neglecting the kidneys when they know these organs need help. Sick kidneys are responsible for a vast amount of suffering and disease, but there is no need to suffer or to remain in danger when all these aches and pains due to sick kidneys can be quickly and permanently cured by the use of Doan's Kidney Pills. Here is a Bethel citizen's recommendation.  
J. H. Gray, living near Elm St. Bethel, Me., says: "About six months ago I caught a severe cold and it set in on my kidneys. For weeks I was bothered by a dull pain in the small of my back, was restless during the night and generally miserable. Learning of Doan's Kidney Pills, I went to W. F. Bosserman's drug store, and procured a box. In a very short time I was cured. I can recommend Doan's Kidney Pills as a reliable remedy for any kidney disorders."  
For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-McIlhenny Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and get no other.

**CASTORIA**  
For Infants and Children.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Beware the  
Signature of J. C. Atkinson

About the Size of It.  
"Preachers are about the only men who can give better satisfaction by doing less work," remarked the thoughtful thinker.  
"How do you figure that out?" queried the innocent bystander.  
"Short sermons always please," explained the t. t.—Chicago Daily News.

An anonymous writer in the New York Independent brings this new indictment against saloons. She—it is evidently "she"—says it prevents many women from marrying, because when a young man falls into the habit of frequenting saloons and "takes up" with the companions he finds there, he stops calling on respectable girls, taking them to entertainments, etc. If he does see a girl to whom he would like to pay a little attention he has no money and no good clothes. "This," says the writer, "cuts girls out of many good times which would not cost the men nearly as much as they spend in saloons." Ever think of that, young man?

# And Now What Is Time to a Hog FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

40 dozen Men's Heavy Homespun, Home Knit Stockings in black at 65 cents per pair. For Christmas, Men's above the knee Homespun All Wool Leggings, black, \$1.25, gray, \$1.50. Moccasins, Rubbers, Felts, and other Hot Stuff for cold feet and hands such as Gloves and Mittens.

The Little Yellow Store,  
Rumford.

**I. W. ALLEN,**

### Christmas Photographs

in all up-to-date styles at

**FOGG'S STUDIO,**  
84 Congress St.,  
Rumford.  
Tel. 1184.  
Over Cote Pharmacy



## RUMFORD.

Mrs. James Allen visited at her old home in Paris, Thursday.

E. L. Winslow spent several days recently at his old home in Boothbay.

W. W. Smith, who has been seriously ill for the past two months, is able to be about on crutches.

Mrs. H. M. Woodman, Mrs. James Morse and Mrs. Walter Morse spent Thursday in Lewiston.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church met with Mrs. C. A. Mixer on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Mary Wyman has returned from Boston, where she has been working for the past few months.

George Reed of Boothbay Harbor, is working at Winslow's candy store during the holiday season.

An excellent supper was served by the Y. P. C. U. of the Universalist church last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Allen are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son to Mrs. Allen on Friday the 4th.

The choir at the church of St. John is holding rehearsals nearly every evening for the Christmas music which will be "Mt. Herbert's" mass by Berge.

Mrs. E. N. Carver of Augusta, who has been the guest of friends in Rumford for several days, returned to her home Friday. Mrs. Carver was a resident of this place for several years and has many warm friends in town.

The Dunton Lumber Co's mill in Virginia will not close down for the winter months as is usually the case but expects to have work during the entire season.

Mr. A. Sherwood, the purewater spring man will have an exhibit of water from his spring in Mexico at F. P. Bartlett's store Rumford all next week. Besides having some samples that have been bottled for four years to show its condition after having been bottled for so long time, there will be plenty of fresh water on draught for the people to drink. Mr. Sherwood has recently finished a second well from which he draws the water from the mountain springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Hebert have returned from a wedding trip to Quebec.

Arthur Landry has moved from Pleasant St. into the Tardiff rent on Franklin St.

President Barry of the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers, is in town this week.

Miss Elizabeth Pettengill has been the guest of friends in Bangor for a few days recently.

Frank Carron left Friday for Conway, N. H., where he has accepted a position for the winter.

Napoleon Landry has gone to Conway, N. H., where he has accepted a position for the winter.

Rev. Fr. J. A. LaFlamme entertained the young ladies of the Pense-Temps club at his home Friday evening.

Mrs. Joseph Roderick and Mrs. John Maroon have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jeddie Beasaw during the past week.

A. H. Williamson of Farmington was in town calling on friends Saturday. John Martin returned with him to Farmington to be a guest for a few days.

Paul Landry of Yarmouthville was in town a few days recently. His mother, Mrs. Frank Landry accompanied him home and will remain there several weeks.

Captain Walter S. Jones of the Local Branch of the Salvation Army, preached at Rumford Center church Sunday, Dec. 6th. His sermon from Acts, 9, was much enjoyed by all.

The boys enjoyed a few days fine skating on the river before the snow. One fellow a little unfortunate, fell through the ice and had it not been for a old man at hand there might have been a serious ending to the sport.

Capt. Jones informs us that the report in circulation regarding the disbanding of the Salvation Army in Rumford is without foundation. It having been started by unfaithful members who were dismissed from the army.

Rev. Geo. B. Hannaford return d Monday from a visit of two weeks to various places through the southern part of the State. He left home Nov. 24 and spent the night in Freeport. Several days were spent in and around Portland, after which Mr. Hannaford went to Naples. Sunday, Nov. 22th he preached twice at the church at that place and in the afternoon over the pulpit in the M. E. church at North Chicago. The following Tuesday evening he attended a reception to the pastor of the Sebago church. The remainder of the week was spent with friends in Monmouth and Winthrop. Sunday Mr. Hannaford preached at the dedication of the new vestry at the Union church in East Monmouth. Next Sunday he will be in his usual place at Rumford Center.

## BUSINESS POINTERS.

To our old patrons, whose faces have become familiar to us, and to the new patrons who are constantly enlarging our circle of friends, we say—"Thank You" and a "Merry Christmas."

P. H. NOYES, CO.

Don't forget to visit our store for Xmas. L. M. Stearns.

There's hardly a man in Bethel that will not receive a Tie or two, for Christmas. Our Holiday Neckwear display is a grand one. So everybody says.

P. H. NOYES, CO.

A Smoking Jacket for Pa or for "Him" would be an ideal Christmas remembrance. We've many choice styles, \$4.00 to \$6.00.

P. H. NOYES, CO.

See the fur caps and hats at L. M. Stearns.

How about a fur coat for father or mother, sister or brother? We have them \$16 to \$70.

P. H. NOYES, CO.

The Desire to Excel.

"Lady," said Plodding Pete, "do you remember that piece of pie you gimme jes' about dis time last year?"

"Let me see! I believe I do remember giving you a piece of pie. Do you want another like it?"

"No, lady, I jest wanted to ask you if you ate any of it yourself."

"Well! Well! Ain't dat a shame. An' here I was goin' along pridin' myself on havin' the digestion record beat!"—Washington Star.

## We Wish You a Merry Christmas

What people want as a rule for Christmas is something useful. The place to get things of this kind is at our store. Our clothing is from the best manufacturers.

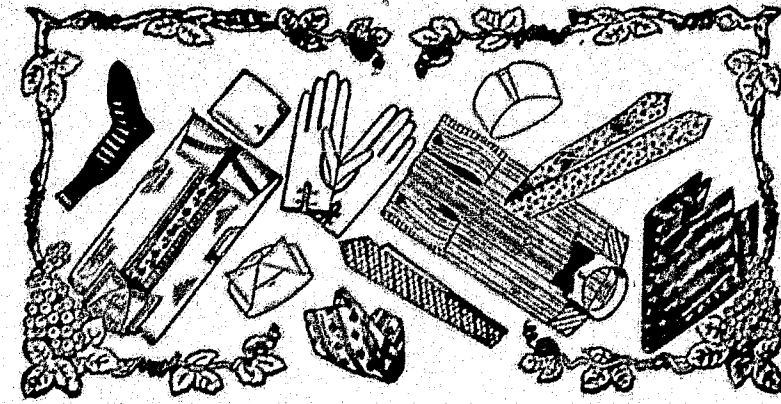
## OUR HATS, CAPS AND HEADWEAR

come from the makers who lead in Quality and Style.

We point with pride to our choice selections of MEN'S FURNISHINGS for the Holiday Trade. Nothing else does quite so well for a man's or boy's Christmas as something he can wear. If you're still undecided as to just what to buy for Christmas, We'll take pleasure in showing you a host of things that are good gifts.

Perhaps a few suggestions will help you to decide just what would be best to give.

Suits  
Overcoats  
Raincoats  
Fancy Vests  
Ties  
Gloves  
Hosiery  
Underwear  
Collars  
House Coats



Handkerchiefs  
Bath Robes  
Shirts  
Umbrellas  
Pajamas  
Night Robes  
Mufflers  
Sweaters  
Suspenders

TRUNKS, BAGS AND SUIT CASES.

## CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR

We've the finest line of neckwear, Handsome Styles, Exclusive Patterns, All the popular shapes from silks that are the finest of foreign and domestic looms.

25c to \$1.00

## FOOTWEAR

Of every description something for the Grandfather or Grandmother as well as for the girl or boy. THE ENTIRE FAMILY can be satisfied at our store when it comes to Footwear. We'll be glad to show the Merchandise. Come to our Store for Christmas Goods.

95 GONYA BROS., Congress St. Rumford, Me.

## NORTH BUCKFIELD.

Born to the wife of Irving Smith a son, Dec. 4th.

Mrs. Amy Bicknell and daughter have returned from their visit in Massachusetts.

Mrs. F. H. Atwood of Rumford has been spending a few days with her sisters, Mrs. S. D. Swallow and Mrs. A. B. Bessey.

Hazel Warren is working for B. A. Hutchinson at Buckfield.

December 5th was election of officers at Mountain Grange. This has been a prosperous year. The Master and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Morse will attend the State Grange at Waterville.

Mrs. Everett Bessey and two children of Rumford, are visiting at his father's A. B. Bessey's.

Eola Swallow visited her aunt, Mrs. L. A. Keene in Hartford, recently. The ground has frozen up without any rain which was very much needed. Wells are dry which were never known to fail before.

J. E. Bicknell lately sold five hogs, the entire weight which was 2,014 lbs.

## BYRON.

Mrs. Tillie White of West Byron is visiting Mrs. G. T. Hodges.

McDonald and Libby of Bridgton are hauling bark for N. B. Stowell and Co.

Miss Alice Thomas has been in Biddeford the past week visiting her sister, Merba.

Mr. J. H. Knapp is correspondent for the Bradstreet Commercial Agency, Portland.

Two nights last week a number of tables met at the station to welcome a friend and his wife, who were expected to be newly married. Each lady was armed with a bag of rice and when the train came in three hundred got on the platform. The young man stepped off alone. It was a false alarm and the ladies actually faded away in the darkness, followed by the cheering remark of a bystander, "Did you ever get that?"

Master Lloyd Bump was visiting friends at Houghton, last week.

Here is Relief for Women. Mother Gray, a nurse in New York, discovered an aromatic, pleasant herb cure for women's ills, called ANAESTHETIC LEAF. It is the only certain regulator Cures female weaknesses and Backache Kidney, Bladder and Urinary troubles. At all Druggists or by mail 50 cts Sample Free. Address, The Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

## "HOME SWEET HOME"



## New Edison Amberol Records,

Talk twice as long as Edison Standard Records. If we talked twice as long as an Edison Amberol Record we could not tell you all their improvements over the old style. Come in and hear them, but expect to stay twice as long as you intended to, for you will be just twice as well entertained as you ever were before.

We Carry the Entire Catalogue of Edison Records.

(over 5000 in stock)

We also have the best line of musical goods of every description to be found in any town of this size in the State of Maine.

## Complete Line of

Violins, Mandolins, Guitars, Accordions, Harmonicas, Autoharps, Zithers, Banjos, Fifes, Cornets, Clarinets, Pianos, Organs, Victor Talking Machines and Records, Sheet Music, Music Books, Studies, Folios and Methods, Strings and Fittings for all Instruments.

The Best Line of Popular Sheet Music in the State.

Don't fail to visit our store before you do your Christmas shopping.

Rolfe & Hanson's Music Store, Rumford Falls, Maine.

## HANOVER.

Mrs. Edwin Farrar, of Thomaston, who taught the singing and fall terms of school at the village, has returned for the winter term, which began Dec. 5th.

Mildred Byer went to Andover, Friday, where she is to have charge of the school in district No. 4.

Mrs. Nancy Silver has closed her house and will spend the winter with her son, F. H. Silver and wife.

Ellis M. Howe went to Enrol last Friday. She has a large class in music there and will remain for the greater part of the winter.

James Howe has gone to West Bethel to work in the post card factory.

Nora Holt is clerking for J. B. Roberts during the holiday season.

Herbert Russell has finished his work at Rumford and returned home.

## WHY People come to Rumford to do Their Christmas Shopping

Is because it is the Greatest Shopping Center in this County,

And can offer to the Public the best assortments of UP-TO-DATE GOODS PROCTURABLE ON THE MARKET AT THE VERY LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES. The stores are LARGE, LIGHT, CLEAN AND HEALTHY. That is why you like to come here to trade.

## WHAT You will take advantage of this year is the result of the two strikes on our local market.

They have left us overstocked with GOODS THAT MUST MOVE, and therefore, we offer even GREATER REDUCTIONS THAN WE HAVE THE NAME FOR GIVING.

WHATEVER IS USEFUL WILL BE MONEY SAVED ON CHRISTMAS GOODS.

## WHERE ISRAELSON'S Is the place where you are GUARANTEED SATISFACTION IN GOODS, COURTESY FROM THE CLERKS, AND THE HIGHEST GRADE OF MERCHANDISE TO BE FOUND IN THE COUNTY. OUR LINE OF XMAS GOODS CONSISTS OF JUST THE USEFUL ARTICLES WHICH WE KNOW YOU WANT THIS YEAR. Our Line of

Clothing, Fur Coats, Gent's Furnishings and Shoes is complete. If you are in town drop into our store if only to look around and see what we have.

## ISRAELSON'S

Rumford,

Maine.



## Commission Merchants.

The advertisements below represent some of the leading houses of New England. Our readers will doubtless find this column valuable.

### POTATOES, APPLES and SQUASH.

We charge the lowest price for selling the above, \$7 and \$10 a car and obtain full market price.

Write for particulars:

**PROVIDENCE BROKERAGE CO.**  
Providence, R. I.  
9-17-08.

**HALL & COLE**  
Fruit and Produce Commission Merchants, Apples and Cranberries our Specialties.  
100-102 FANEUIL HALL MARKET,  
9-17 3 m. BOSTON.

**HOLDEN BROS.**  
Established 1882.  
25 Market St., Boston, Mass.  
PREMIUM PRICES paid for Fancy Store and Homey Eggs, Fine Creamery and Dairy Butter. We also have a steady demand for Fine Poultry, Fancy Apples, etc. Give us your consignments.  
9-17 3 m.

**SHIP YOUR APPLES, POTATOES, EGGS, POULTRY, GAME, BERRIES, Etc., to Chapin Bros.,**  
Boston, 9-17 3 m.

**LIVE POULTRY WANTED.**  
Broilers a Specialty.  
Standard Poultry Co., Prompt Returns at Topmarket prices. Strictly Commission.  
BOSTON LIVE POULTRY CO.  
Ref. 4th Nat'l Bank.  
77-79 Fulton St., Boston.  
9-17 3 m.

**POULTRY WANTED.**  
**HYDE, WHEELER CO.**  
(Established 1864.)  
41 North Market St., Boston, Mass.  
Can get top market prices and will make prompt returns for  
**VEAL - LAMB - POULTRY - EGGS**  
Better and Farm Produce.  
Market reports, tags, shipping certificates, etc., furnished free.  
STRICTLY COMMISSION. 9-17 3 m.

**APPLES WANTED.**  
Premium paid for strictly fancy APPLES.  
Also receives Poultry, Eggs and all Farm Products.  
Prompt Returns.  
**BOURNE & CO., INC.**  
Boston, Mass.  
9-17 3 m.

**EGGS WANTED**  
White or brown, color does not count with us. Freshness our only requirement.  
**F. I. WESTON CO.**  
New Faneuil Hall Mkt., Boston.  
Shipping tags furnished on application.  
10-11 3 m.

**TRY US On Your Shipments of Apples, Potatoes, Live Poultry, etc.**  
**IMMEDIATE RETURNS.**  
**W. W. BENJAMIN,**  
Boston, Mass.  
9-17 3 m.

**WANTED FRESH EGGS.**  
Premium paid for heavy eggs. Best prices, give us a trial.  
Prompt Returns.  
**F. M. BILL CO.,**  
Boston, Mass.  
Importers, Wholesale Grocers and Commission Merchants.  
12-13 3 m.

**POULTRY WANTED.**  
**James Bryden Co., Inc.**  
The General Commission House Established 1868, 41 North Market St., Boston, Mass. can get top market prices for Veal, Lamb, Live and Dressed Poultry, Butter, Eggs and Farm Products. We supply you with market reports, shipping tags, etc., and return your consignments free.  
Prompt and honest returns guaranteed.  
10-12 12 1.

**LIVE POULTRY WANTED.**  
We are paying 15 cents to 20 cents per lb. for pullets, 10 cents to 15 cents for hens, 12 cents to 15 cents for chickens. Immediate returns. Eggs wanted. No commission.  
**The Park & Pollard Co.**  
30 Canal St., Boston, Mass.  
10-12 12 1.

**APPLES.**  
If you can do a Nice Clean Job Packing Apples, we can do just as clean a job selling these apples. Let's get together. What's your name?  
**G. B. Houghton & Co.**  
39 Clinton St., Boston.  
10-12 3 m.

## MEXICO AND RIDLONVILLE.

### The Week's News as Gathered by our Special Correspondent

Ed Burke has moved his family from C. L. Howard's house on Whitman St. into Houben Richmond's new tenement house on Knox street, Rumford. William Hogan of Mechanicville, N. Y., has accepted a position in the Oxford mill and will soon move his family here.

The Sunshine Club gave a sociable at the vestry of the Congregational church last Friday evening. The evening was pleasantly spent by playing games and refreshments were served of coffee, sandwiches and fancy cookies. The next meeting will be next Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Carl Jordan on Main street.

Newton Graham and family, former residents of Mexico, have returned after an absence of a couple of years in Hamilton, Ohio, and Mr. Graham is working in the Oxford mill.

George Leekey has returned from a two weeks' hunting trip in Sumner. A union meeting of the Christian Endeavor societies of Rumford and Mexico was held Wednesday evening with the newly organized society at Smithville; a number from Mexico attending.

Archie Knapp returned to his home at Quosness, Friday night. Rev. J. G. Fisher was called to Haverhill, Mass., last week by the death of a niece's husband with typhoid pneumonia. He returned Saturday.

Mr. Ray Williams is working for Mr. Fred Emery in his store and is boarding at his home. His wife and sister have gone to their home at Charlottetown, P. E. I., on a visit.

Mr. Grant returned the last of the week from his hunting trip with a fine doe weighing 100 pounds.

Mrs. Dowling, who has been quite ill for the past week is improving. Jack Kinnear and George Courie went to New Hampshire recently, where they have accepted positions.

The ladies' sewing circle of the Baptist church will meet next Wednesday with Mrs. Everett Smart.

Mr. William Hall spent a few days last week in Lewiston.

A surprise party was given Miss Emma Gleason at Mrs. Henry Park's last Friday evening by the teachers. It was given as a farewell party as she left Monday morning to attend the Farmington Normal School. The evening was very pleasantly spent, playing whist.

Miss Grace Ladd who has been working for W. S. Crommett for the past year in the store has finished work and returned home to Byron last Monday. Virgil Whitman and Miss Grace Dunning of Dixfield were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Birchard Whitman on Sunday.

Miss Addie Whitman spent the week end with her cousin, Mrs. William Childs on Whitman street.

The store visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Clifford, late Sunday afternoon, leaving a son.

Clyde Patterson has accepted a position as brakeman on the Maine Central Railroad.

The friends of Mr. Nell, who got hurt at the Continental Bag Mill last summer will be sorry to learn that he is not gaining as rapidly as he should.

The Congregational Fair was well patronized Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. The receipts were some over one hundred dollars, which was more than was expected, considering the times.

The Christmas Cantata Rehearsal will be held at Mrs. Edwin Gleason's Tuesday and Friday evenings of this week. They have a large chorus and those who have heard it say it is a very fine thing.

W. S. Crommett's mother is visiting him.

Mrs. Bolster of Auburn is visiting Mrs. Louis and Mrs. Alma Reed.

# CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Should be Useful.

Buy one of us. We have the largest and best lot of

**Carving Sets, Pocket Knives, Scissors, Snow Shoes, Skates Etc. in Town.**

**Stanley Bisbee.**

**Rumford.**

## F. F. BARTLETT,

30 YEARS WATCH INSPECTOR.

I suggest that one of your gifts be one of those HAND MADE SETTINGS WITH WHITE STONE the nearest to a diamond of any stone cut to-day  
**Hard and Very Brilliant**

Also a beautiful watch or bracelet is always an appropriate gift.

ALL GOODS ENGRAVED FREE.

### A GOOD START FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS

You will find it in our rich, rare and beautiful stock of holiday goods. See our attractions—You will be pleasantly surprised. A fine assortment, nothing missing, everything the Newest and Best.

Our Display of Holiday Goods is a Popular Success.

It pleases because it is Fresh, New and Novel. It satisfies because it anticipates your every need. It saves because the Prices are right and reasonable.

DON'T FAIL TO SEE OUR VERY SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS IN

**WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY, SILVERWARE, NOVELTIES, ETC.**

and many charming and appropriate gifts that can not be here enumerated.

Our Holiday line is as complete as it is fresh & desirable. It contains a great variety of new and appropriate presents for everybody's needs. We offer a superb stock including only goods of approved superiority, and we are willing to meet your wants in the most satisfactory manner and at the fairest prices.

**Rumford, Maine.**

SANTA CLAUS will be found pleasantly situated in

## McMennamin's Novelty Store

Where he has found it convenient to carry an exceptionally large line of

**5 and 10 cent goods.**

**Including Toys & Novelties of All Descriptions**

Everything new and up-to-date. No old goods carried over from last year.  
"Quick Sales and small Profits" our motto.

Our line of dressed and undressed Dolls is unsurpassed.

Celluloid dolls are quite the thing this year for children. "They can't break 'em." We have them from 10c. to 50c.

Pictures and Picture Frames, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Fine boxes of Holly Stationery, 10, 25 and 50 cents each. Christmas tree decorations in endless variety. Christmas Candles 10c per box of 36. Fancy dishes, Cups and Saucers, Plates, Sugar Bowls and Cream Pitchers, Post card Albums 5c., 10c. and 25c. each.

MECHANICAL TOYS—(We carry a great variety of these in fact all that Santa Claus needs.)

ASK TO SEE Bellevue Playing Cards, Price 25c. (fancy back) Children's Rings, Necklaces Etc.

We wish to have our patrons know that we handle as a specialty Pyrography Outfits and supplies, also Burnt Wood Novelties.

**We have Outfits from \$2.50 to \$3.50**

For supplies we have plaques (large and small), Handkerchief Boxes, Glove and Fancy Boxes, Tabourets, Waste Boxes, Book Racks, Necktie Racks, Pin Trays, Photograph Boxes and many other things all designed and ready to burn.

P. S.—Mail orders will receive our prompt attention.

CHRISTMAS POST CARDS all ready; come in and look them over

**McMennamin's Novelty Store.**

### PERU.

Rockemoka Grange elected the following officers Saturday, Dec. 5: M. J. E. Conant; O. L. E. Irish; Lee; May E. Robinson; Steward, H. R. Robinson; Chap., Eunice Howard; Sec., Lucia Walker; Treas., H. A. Goss; A. B. Clarke; Robinson; L. A. B. Mildred Walker; G. K. James Irish; Ceres, Emma Conant; Donors, Mary Irish Flora, Lucy Bryant; Trustees, J. M. Howard, Henry Bryant, E. M. Gammon.

Brother and Sister Conant will attend State Grange at Waterville.

Christmas will be observed by the Grange. Christmas dinner after which will be a suitable program and presents taken from the tree by old Santa Claus.

There will be a Christmas tree and exercises at the Pond schoolhouse in charge of the teacher, Miss Alice Kilbreth.

Miss Florence Griffin has returned to Peru for the winter term of school. Lena Hamilton left town for Farmington, Monday.

Frank Seader of Sumner visited at H. R. Robinson's this week.

Arthur Hamilton and son Sidney called on some of their old neighbors recently.

T. W. Stillman and family start for Riverside, Calif., Wednesday, Dec. 9, with the intention of making California their home. Their many friends regret to have them go from the neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Knox visited at Mrs. Knox's this week.

Stella Gettall spent her vacation with her parents, in Bangor but has returned to attend school.

Peet Miller has finished work for Mrs. M. F. Robinson and gone to work on the teethpick mill at Dixfield.

Quite a number intend to go to Canton Wednesday to attend New Century Convention.

H. E. Stillman starts for Portland Thursday. He will visit Augusta and Waterville before returning.

### Now's Time

Whether One Hundred Dollars Reward for any one of our goods that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. O'BRYEN & CO., Props., Toledo, O. We have the undersigned, have known J. J. Chas. for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

Wm. Taylor, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Wm. Taylor, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Wm. Taylor, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Wm. Taylor, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

### Y. M. C. A. WORK IN MAINE.

At a meeting of the State Committee of the Y. M. C. A. of Maine, held at the First National Bank, Auburn, Wednesday evening, Jefferson C. Smith of Waterville, State Secretary, reported the recent gift of \$20,000 to the local association at Rockland and great interest and activity among the railroad men in the central part of the State in plans for a modern Association building for railroad men at Waterville. The report of W. A. Dunmore, Army Secretary at the forts in Portland Harbor, was received with unqualified gratification.

The opening of a successful work at Fort Levee together with the new Sunday School, Christmas Celebration, Sunday night services and large Bible Study enrollment among the soldiers at Fort McKinley, were some of the features of the report. Chairman Day read a letter received from Augustus H. Farnham, Adjutant General, commending the State Association's work at the National Guard Encampment at Augusta.

C. C. Robinson Secretary for Students and Boys' Work, stated that marked advance was being made this fall in all four of the College Associations and several of the preparatory schools. Ricker, Higgins and Hebron had all taken up new work with Oak Grove Seminary. Keat's Hill and Bucksport were maintained by their excellent record of last year. Mr. Robinson dealt with the summer work among boys and reported that the Boys' Work Committee of which Francis R. North of Portland is chairman, recommended the holding of the Maine Boys' Day Trip again in 1909. The outlook for the season's work among the boys in Acadia County was reported to be excellent. The State Boys' Conference is to be held at Lewiston and Auburn, January 22-24 in response to an invitation extended by the Pastor's Union of the twin cities.

Secretary Smith stated the present financial needs of the Committee and plans were discussed and resolutions passed relative to a wider distribution throughout the State of knowledge of the work being done and the need of funds for further promotion. The members present expressed a willingness to do more personal solicitation as a result of the encouraging condition of the work. Among those present were Chairman H. C. Day of Auburn; Treasurer J. W. Andek, Freeport; Ralph W. Carleton, Rockport; William K. Sanders, Portland; Wilbur F. Berry, Keat's Hill; Geo. A. MURKIN, Island Falls.

and Secretaries J. C. Smith, W. A. Dunmore and Clarence C. Robinson.

### Report of the Condition of the BETHEL NATIONAL BANK, AT BETHEL,

in the State of Maine, at the close of business, November 27th, 1908.

### RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$44,928.46
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	10.92
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	10,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	478.13
Bonds, securities, etc.	31,140.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	487.50
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	8,198.15
Due from approved reserve agents	8,149.71
Checks and other cash items	25.00
Notes of other National Banks	537.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	78.07
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Apple	4,421.50
Legal tender notes	345.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer 5 per cent. of circulation	500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$109,328.32</b>

### LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus fund	5,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	2,478.78
National Bank notes outstanding	10,000.00
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	1,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	63,707.06
Certified checks	81.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$109,328.32</b>

### STATE OF MAINE.

### QUINCY OF OXFORD, SS:

I, Elmer C. Park, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELMER C. PARK, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of December, 1908.

A. E. HERRICK,  
Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:  
E. C. BOWLER,  
ARTHUR WALKER,  
N. F. BROWN,  
Directors.







## WEST PARIS.

## REBEKAH CONTEST ENTERTAINMENTS THIS WEEK AND NEXT.

## Three Sunday Schools to Unite in Christmas Observance.

## Masonic Lodge Installs Officers.

## GENERAL NEWS.

The drama "Grandmother Hubbard's Legacy," is billed to be played Friday evening of this week, Dec. 11, at Dunham's Hall. Be sure to come as it promises to be entertaining. One week from that date, the 18th, the other side of the Rebekeah contest will have their entertainment, full particulars of which will be given next week.

Granite Lodge of Masons have installed their officers for the coming year as follows:

W. M.—H. H. Wardwell.  
S. W.—J. E. Brock  
J. W.—C. L. Bidlon.  
Sec.—L. B. Swan.  
Treas.—C. H. Lane Jr.  
S. D.—Samuel Estes Jr.  
J. D.—P. C. Mayhew.  
S. S.—O. A. Kimball.  
J. S.—Samuel Johnson.  
M.—J. H. Cole.  
Tyler—A. L. Bacon.  
P. M.—C. F. Barden.

The sale under the auspices of the Free Baptist Society Wednesday of last week was a success and quite a good sum was realized. The hot soda fountain, food and candy tables were well patronized, and many useful and fancy articles were sold at the other booths. Decorations were in colors of red, green and white, also bouquets of paper flowers. The free entertainment in the evening was well carried out and consisted of quartette singing, solos and duets, some recitations and songs by children, two piano duets and two readings.

W. W. Dunham of North Paris, purchased last week the house and land on Church St., which was the property of Mrs. George W. Bryant of South Paris, and is rented by O. H. Marston and family. When Mr. Dunham moves into town, which he expects to do inside of three months, he will live at his house on Main street and probably will continue to rent the stand recently bought. Mr. Dunham intends to keep a colony of honey bees in the small orchard which is a part of his new purchase.

Mr. Lynn Howe and Miss Ida May Aldrich of Trap Corner were quietly married Saturday evening the 5th, by Rev. Iphigene S. Macduff at her room at J. R. Tucker's. Mr. and Mrs. Howe have the good wishes of their friends, and will go to housekeeping upstairs in Mrs. Mary G. Bradbury's house at Trap Corner.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Howard of Bryantville are visiting Mrs. Howard's sister, Mrs. W. G. Hammond at Trap Corner.

Mrs. Mary G. Bradbury is visiting relatives at South Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving L. Bowker of Portland have come here to remain for the winter and Mr. Bowker will have the place of night engineer on the assistant engine here with Harry Parker as fireman. Mr. and Mrs. Bowker will stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Taill.

E. H. Brown of Bantford visited friends in town over last Sunday.

Mr. Lewis C. Bates, who has been quite ill for nearly two weeks from the effects of a severe cold which came near resulting in pneumonia, has been improving somewhat in the past few days. He has Dr. F. E. Wheeler in attendance with Dr. Barker of Norway as consulting physician and is attended by a trained nurse. It is the sincere hope of our community that he may speedily recover his health.

It is the intention of the three Sunday Schools of our village to unite as usual in an appropriate observance of Christmas and Jan. Sunday some of the committees were appointed to begin the needed arrangements.

Frank and John Mayhew, the two brothers who went to Florida intending to remain for the winter, returned here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jackson of Minersville are visiting relatives in this vicinity.

The W. C. T. U. held their regular meeting last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. D. B. Ford. Mrs. A. D. Coburn had charge of the program, the subject being Medical Temperance.

## Guilty of Counterfeiting.

Passing counterfeit money is no worse than substituting some unknown worthless remedy for Foley's Honey and Tar, the great cough and cold remedy that cures the most obstinate coughs and croup. The West Hill Pharmacy, 100 Main St., Bantford, has been found guilty of this crime.

## DIXFIELD ITEMS.

## The Happenings of the Week as gathered by the Citizen Reporter.

At the annual meeting of Monitor Chapter, No. 72, O. E. S. on Tuesday evening, Dec. 1st, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Mabel B. Decker, W. M.; J. M. Howland, W. P.; Miss Etta Holman, Asso. M.; Mrs. Ada Mureh, Sec.; Mrs. Mary E. Johnston, Treas.; Miss Minnie Howland, Cond.; Mrs. Charlotte A. Bicker, Asso. Cond. The remaining officers will be appointed by the W. M. at the January meeting. Monitor Chapter accepted an invitation with Washburn and Evergreen Chapters to meet with Mt. Zion Chapter this Thursday evening. A good time is anticipated.

Annual sale and supper of the Universalist Church Aid Society this Thursday afternoon and evening at Masonic banquet hall. Supper served from 5:30 to 7 p. m.

Mrs. W. W. Waite is visiting her mother and family, Mrs. E. O. Moulton at No. Jay.

The Auxiliary of the F. B. Society met Thursday p. m. at the home of Mrs. Oep. Walters.

Mrs. Ellen Taylor is in Houghton visiting her sister.

W. G. Harlow is in Boston getting his stock of Christmas goods.

The subject of Rev. E. S. Longley's discourse Sunday p. m. was "Divine Guidance." The evening topic was "The Lost Christ." A good attendance at both services.

F. H. Keene is at East Wilton.

Rev. W. E. Gaskin began his year's work as pastor of the Universalist church Sunday, Dec. 6th.

Carroll Austin and wife and Frances Packard of Biddeford, John S. Taylor of So. Rangleley, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Keene a few days recently.

The K. K.'s met last week Wednesday with Mrs. Abel Holt. This week they meet with Mrs. Jessie Taylor.

Miss Lottie Bryant and Miss Helen Cushman of Bryant's Pond were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Small from Thursday of last week to Tuesday.

Mr. D. W. Berry of Carthage was in town Tuesday, running lines for Harlow and Gates.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Tainter were at Mr. Charles Newton's Sunday. Mrs. Amanda Newton, who is seriously ill is a sister of Mrs. Tainter's.

Thomas Houston and wife of Weld are in town for the winter, at the home of Mr. Houston's mother, Mrs. Phyllis Houston.

Mrs. Ernest Davenport of Peru was visiting relatives in town last week.

The work of making toothpicks began last week at the Foster Estate mill with a small crew.

The chorus choir of the Universalist church held a rehearsal at the home of Frank Davis, Friday evening.

Mr. Columbus Macomber of North Jay was in town Tuesday, calling on relatives.

Mrs. Sophronia Stowell returned home Thursday from a pleasant visit of a week, spent with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. T. Eustis and family in Portland.

## EAST SUMNER.

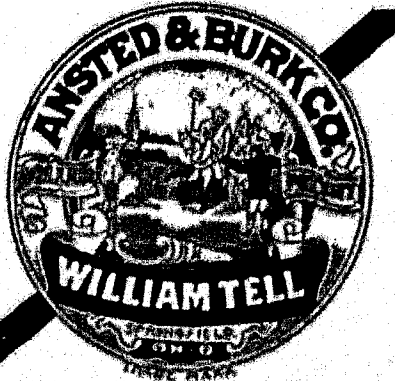
Mrs. Julia Jennings is staying with her sister, Mrs. Gees.

Frank and Robert Bryant have gone to Brockton, Mass. to work.

The Baptist and Congregational Sunday Schools will unite in a Christmas festival at the Baptist church.

Mildred Keene, of the Citizen office, spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Keene.

Freeland Farham has moved into Dr. J. Blake Robinson's house.



The perfect system at the great Ansted & Burk Mills guarantees this perfect flour.

It is tested every half hour day and night by the most exacting scientific tests. This insures absolute satisfaction in baking at all times.

**William Tell Flour**

For Sale of Your Grocer's

## CANTON HAPPENINGS.

## As Observed and Told by the Citizen Reporter.

G. E. Towle is confined to the house with acute neuralgia.

The village schools began last Monday after a two week's vacation.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. N. Allen of Rumford last Friday. Mrs. Allen was Miss Nettie Greenwood before her marriage and a resident of Canton. Friends extend congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. York have been visiting in Madison.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hodge will keep house in the upper tenement of Elmer York's residence. Mr. Hodge is employed in the tannery.

C. H. Gilbert has been absent on a trip to New Hampshire the past week.

Mabel Blanchard has been visiting her uncle and aunt, Leander and Susie Blanchard of East Dixfield, during the school vacation.

Mrs. H. M. Gleason passed away Monday morning, Nov. 30th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Bridgman of South Hartford where she had resided for a number of years. One daughter survives her, Mrs. C. F. Curtis of Auburn, who was present at the funeral services which occurred on Wednesday.

Miss Bernice Stubbs of Rumford was a guest of Jennie Barrows over the Sabbath.

B. C. Ludden, who submitted to a serious surgical operation at a hospital in Boston two weeks ago, remains very ill.

At a meeting of the Androscoggin Valley Agricultural Society held at Canton Orange Hall Monday the following officers were elected: Pres., Dr. A. L. Stanwood, Rumford; Vice Pres., W. W. Rose, Canton; Sec., O. M. Richardson, Canton; Treas., T. B. W. Stetson, Hartford; Trustees, Ezra Keene, Hartford and W. S. Marble, Dixfield.

The Society voted to hold only two days fair next season. All entries must be made and exhibits in place the day before the opening of the fair.

The friends in Canton and Dixfield of Mrs. Harriet Praby of Washington, D. C., will be sorry to learn that she recently met with an unfortunate accident by breaking one of her arms very badly.

An educational meeting will be held at the Grange Hall on Wednesday evening of this week.

G. L. Hutchinson has been absent on a business trip the past week.

Lemuel C. Lucas, an old resident of Hartford, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 1st, after an illness of several years. He leaves a widow, who was Miss Sabrina Corliss, and four daughters, also one sister, Mrs. Emily Mendall of Mexico. Funeral services were held Thursday at the home.

Gustavus Mayford has been appointed District Deputy Grand Master, I. O. O. F., in this district for the year 1909.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mahoney and child of Livermore Falls have been visiting Wm. Mitchell and family.

E. K. Hollis is acting as janitor at the village schoolhouse.

Thursday evening, Dec. 3, occurred the marriage of James E. Davis and Miss Sadie Reed, both of Canton, Rev. Bernard Christopher officiating. The marriage took place at the Reader stand so-called, where the young couple have commenced housekeeping.

New Century Pomona meets with Canton Orange this week, Wednesday, when the annual election of officers will take place.

Geo. Knapp has returned from Oquossoc.

## FRYE.

The dance that was held at the hall on Friday night by the young people of Frye and Hale, was enjoyed. Music was furnished by O. F. Smith of Mexico, 1st violin and J. M. Harlow organist and prompter. Mr. Harlow says he has his old bass viol that he used to use at Canton, thirty-seven years ago in the old hall.

Gladys Fitzpatrick of Canton was the guest of her father at Frye who runs the engine at Jesse and Co's mill. He went home with her Friday.

C. F. Penley of Cold Spring Park was in Rumford Saturday of last week on business and called on friends in Virginia.

B. D. Mitchell of Frye was in Rumford last week.

W. H. Hodgkins and son Ernest of Haverhill are at work for Jesse and Co. of Frye.

Charles Briggs of North Jay is cutting wood for H. L. Mitchell of Frye.

B. D. Mitchell of Frye did some carpenter work for A. W. Robbins last week.

The rivers and brooks of this place are so low they are freezing in the bottom.

C. F. Penley of Cold Spring Park called on his sister, Mrs. G. H. Burgess of Frye, Sunday of this week.

Mrs. A. A. Phillips visited at her home in Frye over Sunday.

Clara Foster of Dixfield is on a visit.

## Mothers Can Prevent Sickness

In their children by just a little precaution and watchfulness. There are many ills of childhood—the majority of them trivial—which can readily be corrected and cured by a timely dose of

## TRUE'S ELIXIR

57 years this old household remedy has been known and used by the American public. It is the best remedy for old and young. Relieves Constipation, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, and expels all worms. Pleasant to take. Children like it.

At All Drugists 35c, 50c, \$1.00.

WEST SUMNER.

Dotie M. Heald has begun her village school.

Mrs. Juliet Mayhew has returned home to North Buckfield.

The Reading Club met with Mrs. Ella Chandler, Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Alton Jacobs and Percy Davenport from North Hartford attended the dance in this village Friday night.

Mr. J. Ellingwood is working on the E. D. Robbins lot and he and his men are boarding at Robbins'.

Mr. C. Ford and his son have got moved into their new home.

Mr. William A. Crockett is working for J. Ellingwood.

Mr. Alton York and family who have been away for a year, have returned home.

Mr. Aaron Cox and family spent Sunday at Mr. Cox's parents.

A mean Man's Exultation. Prosperity has come to us, hooray! I'm so elated I can hardly speak; Last night the rook got mad and went away.

We had to pay her seven plunks a week.

S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.

## The Rumford National Bank

In Rumford Falls is doing business under the National Banking Act.

## The Result of Persistent

Saving is--Independence.

Every hundred dollars you save makes it easier to acquire thousands.

You can begin saving now—\$1.00 opens an account at this bank.

We encourage you to save by paying interest on savings at the rate of FOUR per cent.

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## For Christmas.

One of the best assortments of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Silverware. A fine line of Christmas cards and booklets.

We make a speciality of engraving.

Joseph Jacques,

90 Congress St.,

Rumford, Maine.

## AT THE RED CROSS.

As in the past, we have gathered together a line of attractive, useful and sensible holiday articles suitable for gifts and remembrances.

Our Dennison room is to be a larger feature with us than ever before. The line is more extensive, and the young lady in charge will be pleased to show and explain to you the many novelties.

Our extensive line comprises Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Mirrors, Brushes, Military Sets, Shaving Sets, "Jap" China, Fountain Pens, Smoking, and many other things a few of which we give below.

## Leather Goods.

This line is more complete than ever before making most useful holiday gifts, comprising Travelling cases from 50cts. to \$8.00, Collar Cases, Vanity Books (with strap on back) Pocket Books, Bill Books, Wallets of all descriptions, Cigar Cases, Bridge Sets.

## Perfumes.

Palmer's Perfumes in dainty packages, 25cts to \$5.00. Special odors made by Roger & Gallet, Rickson, Colgate, Piver and Stearns. Sachet-Powders in a variety of odors.

## Stationery.

Our Christmas Boxes are attractive packages filled with good paper.

## Confectionery and Nuts.

A pleasing line of Apollo and Baker's Chocolates in fancy packages. All prices. Shelled Walnuts, Almonds, Filberts, Cashew, 40cts. per lb.

## Calendars.

The best line for desks that we have ever displayed.

## Dennison's Novelties.

Tissue, Labels, Tags, Stamps, Empty Boxes, Crepe (plain and decorated), Garlands, Bells, Tree Ornaments, Festoons, Sealing Wax Sets, Lunch Sets, Mica (for snow), Gunned Ribbon and many others.

## Tree Decorations.

A Large and very select line, not expensive.

## Pipes.

Up-to-date creations in Meerschaum and Briar with Prices to suit all.

## Cigars in holiday packages.

Cards. A magnificent line of Christmas Cards and Post Cards.

We appreciate the Large Holiday Trade which we have enjoyed in the past and we trust that through the best of service and a pleasing line we may have a continuance of the same.

WE EXTEND CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO ALL

## LA RED CROSS PHARMACIE

La Pharmacie Red Cross, ne peut oublier l'animation avec laquelle la foule s'empresse dans son magasin les années précédentes à l'époque de Noël, et ne manquera pas, cette année de mériter la même confiance de sa clientèle canadienne.

Comme par le passé nous avons l'assortiment le plus complet dans les présents de fête, les remèdes les plus purs, etc., ce qui en fait notre pharmacie la mieux assortie dans le comté d'Oxford.

Nous faisons un appel cordial et chaleureux à nos clients de langue française, et nos amis canadiens seront toujours empressés à leur montrer tout ce que nous offrons au public en fait de cadeaux de Noël.

En sollicitant le patronage de nos clients canadiens, nous leur souhaitons à tous, un joyeux Noël, et une heureuse année.

Bowers et Vallée Cie.

61, rue Congress.

Rumford, Maine.



## ANDOVER

The Happenings of the week  
as Told by Our Correspondent

Miss Mattie Hall returned to her school in Guilfordville, Monday.

The following are the officers elected in the Orange for the coming year: M. R. D. Thurston; O. Roscoe Little; L. A. S. Perkins; B. Roger Thurston; L. A. S. May Akers; Chap. J. L. Bailey; Treas. W. W. Perkins; Sec. Maggie Stuart; O. K. Guy Leavell; Ceres. Mrs. R. B. Thurston; Pomona, Mrs. Herbert Morton; Organist, Mrs. H. M. Thomas; Insurance Agent, E. M. Bradley. Delegates to the State Grange, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Abbott.

The members of the Hook and Ladder Co. met with their wives and friends in H. and L. Hall, Monday evening. As it was their annual meeting they first proceeded to election of officers as follows: P. H. L. Poor; A. E. R. A. Grover; Sec. and Treas. C. T. Poor; Steward, Wm. Mitchell. At the close of the business meeting all began to be social and whilst was enjoyed until refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served. It was a very social pleasant evening.

Miss Akers has returned to her school at Mount Vernon.

The funeral services of Mrs. Corrie Robinson who died last Friday were held at her late home on Farmers Hill Monday afternoon. She had been ill for some time, suffering with treatment for a corn. Blood poisoning was the direct cause of her death.

## STATE OF MAINE.

## COUNTY OF OXFORD, SS.

November 30, A. D. 1908.

Taken this thirtieth day of November, A. D. 1908, on execution dated the fourth day of November, A. D. 1908, lawed on a judgment, rendered by the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Penobscot, at the term thereof begun and held on the first Tuesday of October, A. D. 1908, to-wit, on the thirty-first day of October, A. D. 1908, in favor of James F. Gerrity of Bangor in the County of Penobscot, against George L. Stephens of Woodstock in our County of Oxford, for fifty-three dollars and forty-six cents, debt or damage, and nine dollars and seventy-seven cents costs of suit, and will be sold at public auction at the law office of Herrick and Park in Bethel in said County of Oxford, to the highest bidder, on the fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1909, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the following described real estate and all the right, title and interest which the said George L. Stephens has and had in and to the same on the fifteenth

day of July, A. D. 1908, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the time when the same was attached on the writ in the same suit, to-wit: a certain piece or parcel of land situated in Greenwood in said County of Oxford, and lying westerly of Bryant's Pond, so-called, and bounded and described as follows: viz:—commencing on the road leading from Bryant's Pond village to the Bryant neighborhood, so-called, at a point where the Woodstock town line crosses said road; thence running west on said road to land formerly owned by E. Bryant, thence north on line of said Bryant land to land now formerly owned by E. L. Cole; thence east on line of said Cole land to the said Woodstock town line; thence south on said line to the first mentioned bound. Excepting so much of the parcel above bounded as lies westerly of a spotted line running from a large rock on the shore of said Pond near where the winter road leading from the said Bryant neighborhood to said Bryant's Pond Village, strikes said Pond, said spotted line running in a northwesterly direction to land of said E. L. Cole.

Also the following described parcel of land or real estate situated in said Greenwood on the shore of said Pond, bounded and described as follows, viz:—commencing on the shore of said Pond at low water mark at a point where the above described parcel strikes said Pond; thence on the northerly line of said parcel westerly one hundred feet; thence northerly at a right angle to the Pond; thence southerly on the Pond to the place of beginning.

Also a certain lot or parcel of land situated in Woodstock in said County of Oxford and known as the Glen Mountain Hotel lot, bounded and described as follows, viz:—northwesterly by the Edwin Andrews store lot, so-called; northeasterly by land of the heirs of Ezra Stephens; southeasterly by the Knights Common, so-called, and the road leading from said village to Rumford; southwesterly by the road leading from said village to Locke's Mills in the town of Greenwood.

Also a certain other lot or parcel of land situated in said Woodstock and bounded and described as follows, viz:—commencing at the southwest corner of land sold to Joel Perham, Jr. by Henry Howe; thence a westerly course forty-eight and three fourths feet to a stake and stones to land bargained and sold to L. Crockett and Sons; thence north twenty-five degrees west on line of said Crockett land to land formerly owned by Chas. Rolfe to a stake and stones; thence easterly on said Rolfe line forty-eight and three fourths feet to a stake and stones; thence south twenty-five degrees east to the first mentioned bound. Containing one fourth of an acre be the same more or less.

Also the following described parcel of real estate situated in said Woodstock

and bounded and described as follows, viz:—beginning at the southwest corner of a lot formerly owned by E. K. Dunham and Albert Estes on the north line of the road leading from Bryant's Pond to North Woodstock; thence north twenty-four degrees and forty-five minutes west nine rods and fourteen links to a stake; thence south fifty-nine degrees and thirty minutes west two rods and twenty-four links; thence south twenty-four degrees and forty-five minutes east six rods and nine links to a stake; thence south sixty-four degrees west four rods to a stake; thence south twenty-six degrees east two rods and eleven links to the line of the road; thence by the line of the road six rods, twenty-one links to the first bound, together with the buildings thereon.

FRED E. BEAN,

Deputy Sheriff.

## NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Herbert W. Cummings late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

FRANK CUMMINGS.

November 17th, 1908.  
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you will miss an exceptional offering of exceptional clothing. As it is too late in the season for us to fill in broken styles and sizes, we have gone over our stock of odd lots and marked them at decided reductions for quick clearance.

## Men's and Young Men's Suits and Overcoats

that were \$15, \$16.50 and \$18.00.  
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